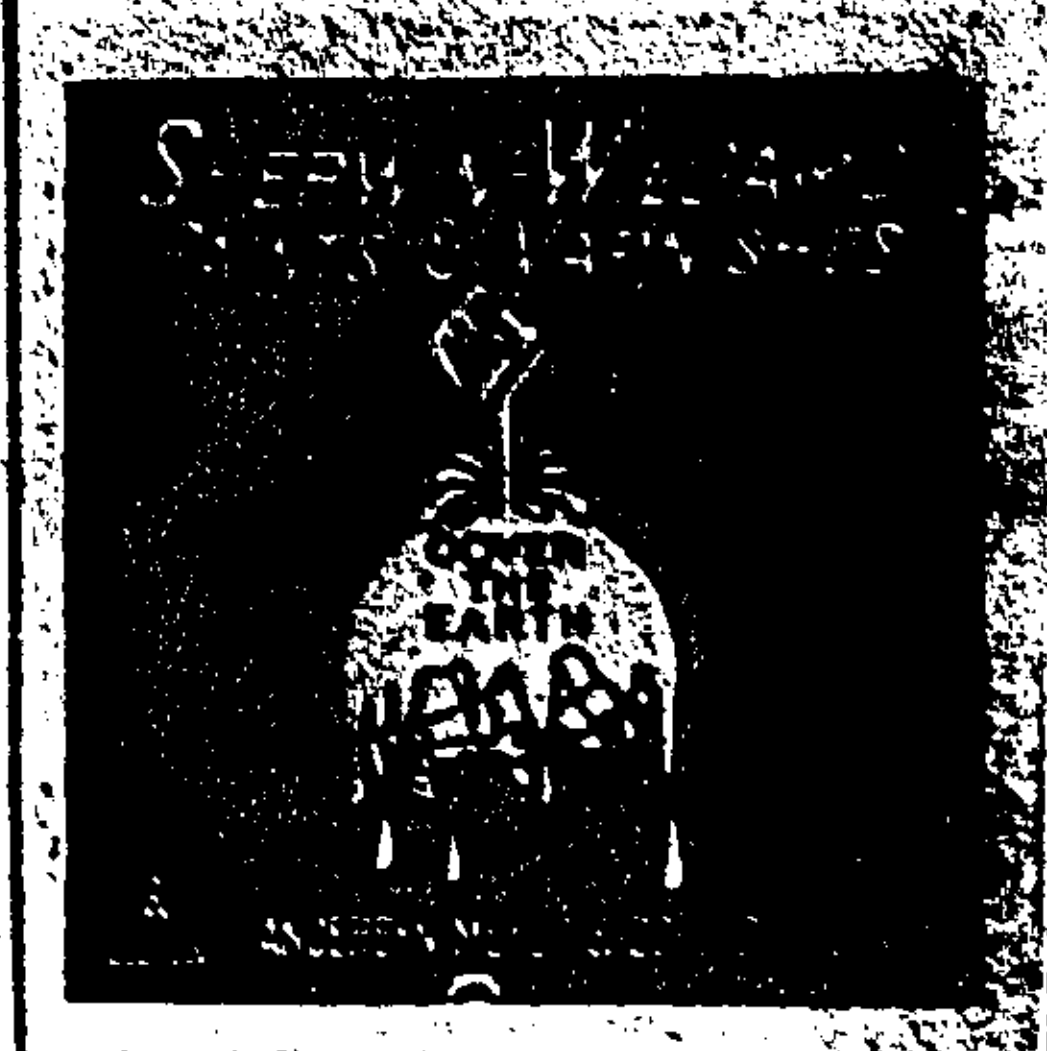




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ENGLAND CONCERNED OVER SITUATION IN INDIA.

NUMEROUS NON-CO-OPERATORS ARRESTED.

MODERATE HINDOOS' REPRESENTATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

Boycott a Failure at Benares.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, December 13. The gravity of the political situation in India has been brought home by the latest dispatches, which have aroused a feeling of disquiet here. The development of the non-co-operation movement has necessitated the arrest of over five hundred Gandhists in Calcutta in connection with the prevention of the picketing nuisance, as well as over fifty at Delhi on a charge of belonging to an unlawful association, also a number of others at Allahabad and elsewhere.

It had been generally expected that a serious stage would be reached after the meeting of the Indian National Congress at Ahmedabad in Christmas week, when it was intended to proclaim Home Rule and inaugurate civil disobedience, but the movement, apparently, has been precipitated by the action of the Provincial Governments in declaring illegal the Congress and the Caliphate "volunteers", who, by intimidatory methods, have compelled hartals and boycotts, which have just been applied with indisputable success on the occasion of the Prince of Wales' visit to Allahabad.

In addition to the arrests referred to, a Delhi message states that three districts of Benares, including Rangoon, have been proclaimed under the Seditious Meetings Act.

More moderate-minded Indians are undoubtedly alarmed at the turn of events, and according to a message from Calcutta, four prominent native members of the Imperial Legislative Assembly have issued a statement declaring that the Government's repressive policy is utterly futile for dealing with the widespread discontent and excesses, which they deplore. They urge both sides to call a halt in order to prevent a course of action which, if persisted in, would produce anarchy and disaster, and press the Government to formulate a constructive policy which will recognise the rapid changes.

No Boycott of the Prince at Benares.

London, December 13. The Prince of Wales visited Benares for a few hours on Tuesday en route to Nepal for a week's big-game shooting as a private guest.

His Royal Highness made a trip to the Ganges and was greatly impressed by the wonderful panorama of the famous Ghats, crowned temples, shrines, and palaces. The Prince also visited the Hindu University, receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Literature. The hartal which had been proclaimed was a complete failure, only a few shops in the Bazaar District keeping shut, while natives warned the streets to see the Prince. This striking contrast to what happened at Allahabad the day before is characteristic of the vagueness of Indian unrest.

Underwriting Indian Loan in London.

London, December 13. Underwriting is proceeding of the Indian Government loan of £10,000,000 at 5 1/2 per cent at the price of 99 1/2, redeemable in 1932.

BRITISH STATUS REVOKED.

Sir Edgar Speyer Divested of Nationality and Privy Councillorship.

London, December 13. The London Gazette announces that Sir Edgar Speyer's letters of naturalisation have been revoked and his Privy Councillorship cancelled. Sir Edgar Speyer departed for America at the outbreak of the war.

No Reflection upon Other Partners.

Later. The Gazette announces that the committee of inquiry which during past months has been considering the case, found, firstly, that Sir Edgar Speyer had shown disloyalty, by act and speech, to his Majesty, secondly, that during the war he communicated with enemy nationals associated with business which he knew assisted the enemy. The Gazette adds: "The finding does not reflect upon any other partners of the firm of Speyer Brothers."

[The Right Hon. Sir Edgar Speyer, Bart., P.C., born 1862, the son of Gustavus Speyer of Frankfurt, was educated at the University of that city, after which he entered his father's firm, whose extensive offices in Frankfurt, London, and New York have long been famous. In 1887 Edgar Speyer left the native office to take charge of affairs in London, while he was stated to have retired in 1914 from the Frankfurt and New York concerns, but soon left London for the United States. He was created a baronet in 1906 and a Privy Councillor in 1909. He was one of the founders of the Whitechapel Art Gallery and a member of the Company Law Amendment Committee which sat in 1905.]

THE IRISH QUESTION.

Correspondence Reveals the Position of Ulster.

London, December 13. The Ulster correspondence reveals that Sir James Craig proposed the creation of two Dominions in Ireland, with voluntary contributions to the Imperial services.

The Premier rejected this "counter-proposal" on the ground that the creation of two Dominions in Ireland, one with twenty-six and the other with six counties, would fundamentally change the existing system of the Imperial organization.

Sir James Craig retorted that to enter the conference on condition of agreeing to the establishment of an All-Ireland Parliament would be dishonest, as Ulster would never accept a position of permanent subordination to Sinn Fein. Sir James Craig accepted an invitation to confer with the Premier, but demanded publication of the correspondence before the assembly of the Ulster Parliament on the 25th. Mr. Lloyd George in order to demonstrate that Ulster had not refused to enter the conference, but that Sinn Fein declined to participate, except in a subordinate position.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Quadruple Agreement Signed.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, December 13.

The Quadruple Agreement regarding the Pacific has been signed at Washington.

Abolition of Foreign Post Offices Confirmed.

Washington, December 13.

A communique states that the resolution adopted by the Far Eastern Committee agreeing to the abandonment of foreign postal agencies in China, as stated in a cable of the 28th ult., subject to the maintenance of an efficient Chinese postal service and an assurance that the Government does not contemplate a change in the postal administration or in the status of the foreign co-Director-General, arrangement will come into force on January 1, 1923, the four Powers meanwhile affording examination facilities to the Chinese Customs.

Mr. Sze said that China undertook to handle increased foreign mail matter with the same efficiency by making the requisite additions to personnel and equipment. Steps would be taken to arrange transportation by the Siberian route when re-opened, and China would hold herself responsible for an uninterrupted service upon the Chinese-controlled railways. Wireless stations were also discussed and the subject was postponed.

Mr. Wang said it was gratifying to know that the United States and Britain had expressed themselves strongly against a continuance of spheres of interest in China, and claimed that such spheres had given rise to much misunderstanding and misgiving on the part of the Chinese people. Spheres hampered China's economic development, prevented equal opportunity for all, endangered China's political integrity, and produced international friction. The delegation therefore asked the Powers represented to disavow all claims to spheres of interest or influence, or special interests in China.

Discussion was postponed, and the Committee adjourned to the 14th inst.

[The previous cable stated: Representatives of the nine powers sitting as a committee on the Pacific and Far Eastern questions have adopted a resolution in favour of the relinquishment of foreign post-office privileges in China. All the Powers agreed upon January 1, 1923, as the date of relinquishment, except Japan, whose representatives asked time to hear from their Government.]

Owing to Chinese allegations that opium has been sent to China through the foreign postal systems, thus violating the Anti-Opium Law, the resolution includes a provision permitting the Chinese Customs to examine postal matter passing through foreign agencies for the detection of dutiable and contraband goods. The resolution as adopted provides for the abandonment of post-offices on a date to be agreed later, provided that the China Government maintains an efficient postal service.]

French View Respecting Wireless.

Paris, December 13.

A message from Washington states that before the Far Eastern Committee M. Viviani introduced a resolution emphasising the necessity of superseding competition by co-operation in the establishment of wireless communications between China and other countries. He urged the appointment of an international committee, including China, to that end, especially having in mind the equipment with the most modern plant as soon as possible.

The resolution provides that internal wireless shall be operated in accordance with the Chinese law and foreign communications be dealt with by an international convention. It lays down that the Government interested shall not support concerns not complying with the Committee's basic principles. Government and Press messages shall be granted at least 50 per cent reduction.

Furthermore, it is reported that at yesterday's Sino-Japanese conversations, the Japanese displayed a more conciliatory attitude regarding the Kiaschow-Tsinan railway, and agreed to discuss how to proceed with the evacuation of the railway. It is now confidently stated that a feeling of optimism has replaced the earlier misgiving as regards the Sino-Japanese pourparlers.

Favourable Belgian Press Comment.

Brussels, December 13.

The newspapers consider the Quadruple Agreement a great step forward. The *Metropole* (Antwerp) emphasises that China has special reason to rejoice in view of the Conference's pledge in respect of her sovereign independence, territorial integrity, and neutrality in China.

How the Delegates Signed.

Washington, December 13.

The United States gave approval to the Quadruple treaty subject to a written understanding with Japan that the Yap convention must be consummated before the Treaty becomes binding.

The treaty contains two American reservations—firstly, reserving the right to negotiate separately with the mandatory Powers on the subject of the Pacific Islands; secondly, declaring that domestic affairs are not within the scope of the treaty.

No ceremony accompanied the signature of the treaty in the ante-room of the offices of the Secretary of State. Only the plenipotentiaries, secretaries, and advisers were present. The Americans signed first, the Powers following alphabetically. Mr. Balfour signed twice—once for the Empire and once for South Africa.

The Irreconcilable Senator.

Washington, December 13.

The irreconcilable Senator La Follette issued a statement declaring that the Pacific treaty had all the inequities of the League of Nations without any of its virtues. He is determined to do his utmost to prevent ratification.

Reduction in U.S. Naval Personnel.

New York, December 13.

Orders have been received at New York Navy Yard indicating that the personnel of the Navy is to be reduced by ten thousand.

CHINESE CHARGES D'AFFAIRES ON UNITY.

No Separation of North and South.

London, December 13.

Speaking at the Aldwych Club on China's political troubles, Mr. Chao Hsin-chu, the Chinese Charges d'Affaires, said that no separation of North and South would be allowed. The Chinese people at large were working for union, which was most essential to prosperity. He claimed that China had progressed under her new regime. China offered to keep her doors open, with equal opportunity to all treaty Powers. Justice to China was the key to peace, not in the Far East but in the whole world.

LADY PEARSON SUCCEEDS HER HUSBAND.

London, December 13.

Lady Pearson has been appointed to the headship of St. Dunstan's.

THE MACAO DISPUTE.

Still a Deadlock.

It is now considered by the general public that the Macao case should be settled in an amicable way which will not, at least, infringe the rights of China. But as the Portuguese Government shows no inclination to recede from its former position in the case and no satisfactory reply has been received up till now, the case is, therefore, still suspended. No particular information concerning the case is obtainable.

It is reported that Governor Chan has lately instructed the Heungshan magistrate to investigate the special points:—

1. Whether the Chinese fishermen are still harassed when they are searching and scraping the bottoms of junks and boats on the waterfront at Ngan-hang.

2. Since the withdrawal of the soldiers of General Li Fook-lum whether the defence along Chin-shan and Ngan-hang is strong enough to protect the border.

3. Whether there are foreign gunboats patrolling within Chinese waters.

4. Whether communication between Macao and the Chinese territory is barred.

5. Whether there are any foreign gunboats near Tai-wan, a place which the Macao government tried to occupy.

It is also rumored that the case may be settled in Peking as requested by the Portuguese Minister. But this rumor is unreliable.—*Canton Times*.

DISCHARGED.

A Lucky Defendant.

The Chinese arrested in the raid conducted by Inspector Robert Willis on Monday evening at Tam Lane, West Point, was this morning discharged by the Magistrate in connection with a charge of possessing two daggers which were discovered by the searchers behind a wooden box in the man's cubicle. Mr. R. E. Lindell gave as his reason for discharging the man the lack of sufficient evidence to connect the defendant with the presence of the daggers. In opium cases, he told Inspector Willis, the prisoner was usually called upon to furnish a reasonable explanation for the presence of the drug on his premises, and if he failed to do so a conviction would be concluded. With arms offences such as the one now being dealt with, such an explanation was not stipulated in the Arms Ordinance, the onus resting with the prosecution to prove that he was actually or constructively in possession of the arms. His Worship added that he could not convict the defendant on such evidence as had been produced, and he ordered defendant to be released.

Inspector Willis pointed out that the information laid with the police had shown them that the raid had frustrated a robbery that was being contemplated. It was shown that the three men arrested along with the defendant were undesirable from the country whom defendant harboured. There was in fact a previous record against one of these men, but as they had been discharged it was too late to put in that evidence.

His Worship confirmed his decision to discharge the defendant.

SIR C. A. PEARSON'S FUNERAL.

Blind Men from All Over the Country Attend.

London, December 13.

Blind men from all parts of the country attended Sir Arthur Pearson's funeral at which there were remarkably moving scenes. There was a great attendance of the public.

ANGLO-PERSIAN CO. RECOMMEND 20 PER CENT. DIVIDEND.

London, December 13.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Co. recommended a dividend of 20 per cent. The year's profits amounted to four millions.

DIPLOMATIC VISITORS TO FRANCE.

Paris, December 13.

General Velp Khan, Afghan Envoy Extraordinary and a member of the Afghan mission, had an audience of M. Millerand.

Prince King of Nepal has arrived from London.

CHINESE NEWS.

Important Conference at Peking.

Our Canton correspondent reports that in compliance with President Sun Yat-sen's orders the military authorities in Canton have organized the "Canton Naval and Land Electric Mine Force" with Ma Pak-lun as Commander. This force will leave shortly for Kwangai with about one hundred miners and bombs. President Sun's bodyguard has also been formed and is called the "Naval and Military Generalissimo's Guards." The force is about one thousand strong and will start shortly for Kwangai.

A Peking telegram states that Chan Jek-lin, Tuchun of Fengtein, has arrived and is living in the Palace of the former Prince Regent. The Premier has requested Tso Kwan and Wu Pui-foo to come and take part in a meeting in the President's Palace for the settlement of the differences of the country.

A Shanghai telegram reports that Lu Yung-cheung, Tuchun of Chekiang, has made a proposal to Tso Kwan and Wu Pui-foo jointly to cable the south-west provinces requesting them to cancel independence, reduce the military forces, and dispatch representatives to arrive at national unity. The latter have replied and given their support to the suggestion, but have asked Lu to be the leader in such a step.

We take the following from the *Canton Times*:—

It is the opinion of Governor Chan that the administrative expenditure of the province should be increased to a certain extent thus enabling the government to increase its services to the public. On the other hand, the military expense should be decreased to lighten the burden of the people. A military conference was held last week in the Military Headquarters for the discussion of these questions. The question of disbandment for the Province has been decided with the result that 30 per cent of the Canton army will be disbanded. The work of disbandment will begin this month. The soldiers, who are retired from military service, will receive one month's extra pay and they are advised to engage in agricultural pursuits hereafter, at home.

The Government Mint is not to be leased as was erroneously rumored recently. Gov. Chan and Commissioner Chung Sam-nam have decided not to lease the Mint under any circumstances, as it handles the coinage of the government and is different from the Cement Works or any other government enterprises.

An iron bridge to cross the Pearl River and to facilitate the communication between Canton and Honam has been suggested by Mr. Tsing Kok-cheung, member of the Kwangtung Provincial Assembly. Mr. Tsing's suggestion was approved by the Assembly Meeting some days ago and it is now submitted to the Governor for due consideration. The Assembly has received the Governor's reply that the matter concerned has been transferred to the Canton Municipality to work out a complete scheme.

FROM HARROW TO ETON.

The Headmaster of Harrow has sent his son to Eton this term.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Government Forester Killed.

A fatal accident, which took place under somewhat unusual circumstances, occurred yesterday morning at the south end of the tunnel at Kowloon Terai. A pony which was being led along a path, running parallel to the railway lines took fright at the approach of the 815 incoming train, and dragged its rider, who had secured the halter around his arm and was therefore unable to free himself, on to the lines. The pony was killed by the train and the man was dashed against the side of a carriage with such force that the halter parted and he was thrown by the impact down the slope. When he was at length picked up by the people on the train, which stopped on account of the accident, it was discovered that life was extinct from a dislocated neck and a number of fractures in the right arm and the right leg. The man was a forester in the employ of the Botanical Department.

I. O. U. CASE.

Summary Court Action.

A Sikh moneylender sued another Indian and a Chinese in the Summary Court before Mr. Justice Compertz, this morning, for \$80 and eight months' interest at three per cent per month under an I.O.U. Plaintiff conducted his own case and Mr. Leo Longinotto appeared for the defence.

The plaintiff contended that he lent the money at his registered address, Princes Buildings, but the defence was that the money was lent in Anton Street.

The evidence of one of the defendants appeared to be unsatisfactory and Mr. Longinotto said he did not propose to take the case further.

Judgment was accordingly given for plaintiff.

FATAL PANIC CAUSED BY BANDITS.

More than 100 persons were drowned in a panic which ensued on board a steamer plying between Wuchow and Kwai-ping, Kwangsi, as a result of a fusillade of bullets from the rifles of bandits who attempted to hold her up, states the Chinese press.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Madame Lottie Gordon's Concert takes place to-morrow at the City Hall.—Page 4.

Powell's advertise Christmas Presents for Gentlemen.—Page 7.

The N.Y.K. advise consignees of cargo of the arrival in port of the Mishima Maru.—Page 5.

J. T. Shaw have a fine line of acceptable gifts suitable for the festive season.—Page 7.

The Colonial Dispensary should be visited by those interested in gift-making.—Page 7.

The Kowloon Theatre is closed to-night. To-morrow night the management will give a Cabaret Dance.—Page 12.

There is a Harold Lloyd picture in the mid-week programme at the Hongkong Theatre.—Page 12.

Lammert's will sell off iron on the 19th inst. and Cashmere and Tweed Suit lengths on the 20th inst.—Page 4.

A young Danish lady is willing to help with children in return for passage home.—Page 4.

To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 6 1/2d.

The Weather.

5 p.m. Barometer—66.67. Temperature—71. Humidity—55.

Lighting-Up Time.

Lighting-up time on 14th inst. 7.41.

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CHINESE CHAMBER.

The Hwah Ping Case.

A meeting of the Chinese Gen-
eral Chamber of Commerce was
held yesterday afternoon when
opportunity was taken by the
Chairman (The Hon. Mr. Lau
Chu-pak) to offer his congratula-
tions, on behalf of the Chamber,
to the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen,
the newly-appointed Chinese rep-
resentative on the Legislative
Council and the successor of Mr.
Ho Fook. There was a big atten-
dance of members.

The Chairman said that, before
dealing with the business of the
meeting, he would like to con-
gratulate the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-
sen to whose experience and wis-
dom, which had assured him a
splendid career, he would not ad-
vert until the official entertain-
ment to be held shortly by the
Chamber in his honour.

Thanking the Chairman and the
Chamber, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-
sen said it was with no little
diffidence that he accepted H. E.
the Governor's appointment with
the Governor's appointment with
because he feared his inaptitude
would hinder his work for the
Chinese community on the Council.

At a recent interview with the
Governor he spoke to his Excel-
lency about his advanced age,
which, coupled with the necessity
of transferring his domicile to
Peking for six months annually,
might affect his official capacity.
He therefore wished to decline the
appointment. He also explained
the many difficulties which Chi-
nese members on the Council had
to contend with in the course of
their work, and these the Governor
said he fully appreciated. How-
ever, in view of the undoubtedly
well-meant honour and His Excel-
lency's assurance that he could
rely on his assistance, he had de-
cided to accept and to do his level
best to further the welfare of the
Chinese population. He hoped the
Chinese Chamber of Commerce and
the general public would co-operate
with him, and incidentally with
the senior and highly respected
member (Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak),
as closely as they had with Mr.
Ho Fook.

A matter of great interest to
shipping companies in Hongkong
was then discussed by the meet-
ing.

The Chairman said the Chamber
had received three letters from the
Chung Wah Steam Navigation
Company, a Chinese concern,
from Chinese merchants having
business connections with Peru
and from passengers intending to
proceed to Peru and Chile by the
Hwah Ping, a steamer chartered
by the Chung Wah Steam Naviga-
tion Company from the Chinese
Government. These letters had
reference to the prohibition de-
clared by the Secretary for Chi-
nese Affairs against the Hwah
Ping carrying third class Chinese
passengers to Peru and other
South American ports. The Chung
Wah S. N. Company said Mr. Lau
Chu-pak was registered both in
Peking and Hongkong and oper-
ated one steamer between Hongkong
and South American ports where
there were Chinese settlers doing
business. As a result of the un-
satisfactory arrangements made
by another company, before the
inception of the Chung Wah S. N.
Co., for the accommodation of
passengers on steamers running
to Peru and other ports, the Hong-
kong authorities had instituted
certain restrictions. The Chung
Wah S. N. Co. was formed this
year with a capital of \$4,000,000
and the accommodation arrange-
ments on their ships and the
general way in which they con-
ducted the service had occasioned
no complaint. But when their
ship was ready to leave Hongkong
a letter was received from the
Secretary for Chinese Affairs for-
bidding the ship to carry third

class passengers. The prohibi-
tion would not only entail loss on
the company, but on merchants in
Hongkong and Peru who had formed
this company chiefly because
during the war considerable
difficulties were experienced in
obtaining cargo space and passen-
ger accommodation on steamers
bound for South American ports.

Now they had founded this com-
pany they had better facilities
to travel and to ship their goods.
Passengers who came to Hongkong
on the last trip of the ship were
also affected because the trouble
which detained the ship in
Hongkong might possibly lead to
the invalidation of their passports.

The Secretary of the Chamber of
Commerce, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, and
representatives of the Chung Wah
S. N. Company, Chinese merchants
trading with Peru and passengers
of the ship had an interview with
the Secretary for Chinese Affairs,
but with no satisfactory issue.

He (the speaker) had written a
letter to the S.C.A., and a reply
was being waited for. In a
friendly meeting the other day
with the speaker casual reference
was made to the matter by the
S.C.A. who said he intended to
extend the prohibition to ships of
other nationalities. Mr. Lau Chu-
pak called upon representatives of
the parties present to give to the
meeting an account of what had
happened.

Mr. Au-Yang Yee-hon, Manager
of the Chung Wah S. N. Company,
said that since the inauguration of
his company in the seventh moon
this year the Hwah Ping had been
operated according to the require-
ments of the shipping laws of the
various countries which the ship
visited with regard to the carriage
of passengers and cargo, and the
company, he was glad to say, had
received the same treatment from
the Government as other shipping
companies. So far none of the
passengers who had travelled by
the steamer had met with any ob-
jections on landing in Peru and
other ports. Having returned
from the last trip to Peru the
Hwah Ping was to have sailed on
the 5th inst. with 200 passengers
and a big cargo and when all ar-
rangements had been made a
letter was received from the
S.C.A. forbidding the departure
of the third class passengers. A
delegation, including himself and
Mr. Ip Lan-chuen interviewed the
S.C.A. to ask the latter his reasons
for the order. After having been
apprised of the number of third
class passengers who were to
voyage on the Hwah Ping, the
S.C.A. expressed doubt as to the
statement that all the third class
passengers were business men as
described. He Mr. Au suggested
that enquiries be made at the
Peruvian Consulate here to ascer-
tain whether the passengers were
really what they represented
themselves to be or workmen.

The S.C.A. pointed out the sweep-
ing Chinese definition of business-
men, who, in China, ranged from
hucksters of peanuts and green-
grocers to the unquestionable
businessman, and put an end to
the interview despite his (the
speaker's) request for an oppor-
tunity to say something more.

The prohibition seemed to him to
be absolutely unjustifiable and
would have a serious effect on
Chinese trade. The stern attitude
of the S.C.A. was inexplicable, and
his assumption that the third class
passengers were workmen was
astounding. Why the prohibition
was only confined to this Chinese
company and did not apply to
other companies which owned
ships running to Peru, Chile,
Panama, Cuba and other ports in
South America was bewildering.

The action was taken regardless
of the spirit of fair play which was
the dominating characteristic of
the British people. "On the face
of it, it is not fair," said Mr. Au
Yang, "and therefore we ask you
to do your utmost for us for re-
moving short of an influential body
like the Chinese Chamber of Com-

merce can be of any help in the
matter."

Mr. Au-Yang added that the
company's solicitor had also seen
the Hon. Mr. Hallifax (S.C.A.), but
the interview was also fruitless.
The Peruvian Consul here was also
perturbed by the S.C.A.'s order
because if Chinese business men
were not allowed to return to Peru
the trade of the country would
suffer. A representative of the
Consulate went to see Mr. Halli-
fax, but was told that the matter
had been referred to the Govern-
ment.

In reply to the Hon. Mr. Chow
Shou-sen Mr. Au-Yang said the
fare of third class passengers was
\$294 to Peru and \$344 to Chile.

Mr. Au-Yang Yee Hon said the
Hwah Ping could leave if she
carried no third class passengers.
But why was the restriction only
imposed on her? Other steamers
which carried third class passen-
gers for Peru were permitted to
leave; in fact a Japanese steamer
left only yesterday. He offered to
show the S.C.A. the passports of
the third class passengers of the
Hwah Ping, which had been visored
by the local Peruvian Consul, to
substantiate his statement as to
the profession of the passengers,
but no notice was taken.

The Chairman said that it would
be an unpleasant reflection on the
efficient administration of the
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs,
which was in charge of Chinese
going abroad, if Chinese who went
to Peru or Chile as third class
passengers were found stranded
in these places. A former
Chinese shipping company gave
no small trouble to the authorities
of Peru, Chile and Panama by
taking to these places Chinese
emigrants, who, failing to find
means of subsistence, were left
stranded on foreign soil. Pos-
sibly it was in order to preserve
the good name of the Colony, and
to save Chinese from falling vic-
tims to unscrupulous emigrants
"contractors" that the S.C.A. had
made the order. Many gallile
Chinese in the interior, succumb-
ing to the illusion of bright
openings for Chinese in Peru and
Chile, sold their property in their
villages and, in many cases, their
children, in order to raise the
necessary money to pay their
fares, expecting to make their
fortunes in distant lands, which, they
thought, abounded in gold and silver.

Their hopes would be dashed to
the ground when on their arrival
they found, to their distress, that
employment was hard to obtain,
they were badly treated and in
some case they were not allowed
to land. Mr. Lau Chu-pak said
that owing to its comparative short
existence the Chung Wah S. N. Co.
might not be aware of security
which might have been deposited
by other shipping companies to
guarantee the bona fides of third
class Chinese passengers going to
Peru. He suggested that two re-
presentatives of the Chamber
(Messrs. M. K. Lo and Ip Lan-
chuen) and representatives of the
Chung Wah S. N. Company inter-
view the S.C.A. again, show him
the passports of the third class
passengers and ask him his rea-
sons for not allowing these pas-
sengers to leave.

Mr. Au-Yang Yee Hon said
nearly 90 per cent. of the third
class passengers of the Hwah Ping
possessed passports. He wel-
comed an examination of them by
the S.C.A.

Mr. M. K. Lo expressed the view
that there must be reasons for the
action of the S.C.A. who, he was
certain, would not do things ac-
cording to his temperament of the
moment. No sensible person, and
least of all Mr. Hallifax, a most
tactful civic dignitary, would be
so rash as to say "I don't mind
what you have to say. They
can't go." Mr. Lo supported Mr.
Lau Chu-pak's proposal.

The proposal was carried un-
animously.

Reference was made by the
Chairman to the following letter,
dated Dec. 1st, addressed to the
Secretary of the Chinese Chamber
of Commerce by the Hongkong
General Chamber of Commerce.

"Dear Sir,—As you may be
aware, there have recently been
difficulties encountered in con-
nection with the quality of
gunny bags used in rice ship-
ments, and my Committee, who
have lately considered the mat-
ter, instruct me to put forward
the suggestion that a standard
specimen of outer and inner
bags, to be agreed upon by buyer
and seller, be hung up in the
various godowns and all future
rice transactions, unless speci-
ally arranged to the contrary,
be based on such bags being
supplied. My Committee feel
that, if this suggestion be car-
ried out, it will serve to clear up
any misunderstanding as to
quality of bags and promote
cordial relations between sup-
plier and consumer. Would you
kindly ascertain the views of
the rice dealers in this con-
nection and let me know whether or
not my Committee's suggestion
can be considered practicable."

The Chairman said that the
Chamber had replied, stating that
the matter had been referred to
the Rice Dealers' Guild who had
replied as follows: "As the rice
dealers themselves have to buy
the gunny bags from gunny bag
dealers and as therefore they are
not in a position to guarantee the
quality of the goods they consider
it best for exporters themselves to
supply the gunny bags to the rice
dealers as is being done by
Chinese and Japanese rice exporters."

Importance of Chamber.
In pursuance of the requests of
the Bank of Canton and the
Chinese Merchants' Bank, said
Mr. Lau Chu-pak, the Chamber
had supplied "certificates" to them
in order that they could establish
branches in America. It was a
bank law in America for a bank
to produce a certificate from the
Chinese Consul testifying to their
sound financial position. In a
place like Hongkong where there
was no Chinese Consul the Cham-
ber of Commerce represented the
Chinese banks. This was one of
the instances of the importance of
a Chamber of Commerce, said
Mr. Lau.

The Trade Exhibition.
A letter from Messrs. Thomas
Cook & Son asking for advertising
business with regard to the pro-
posed big trade exhibition to be
held next year was read. The
object of the exhibition, which was
reported previously, will cover an
area of nine miles, is to attract
more travellers to Hongkong. As
the scheme was in embryo the
Chamber had replied to Thomas
Cook and Son, stating their in-
ability of giving business.

Stranded Chinese Students.
Other business discussed in-
cluded an appeal for help sent by
Chinese students returned from
France who were in financial straits
in Shanghai. The students said they
had asked the Chinese government
for expenses, but their applica-
tion was unsuccessful. They were
supported by the Government in
their education. The Chairman
also alluded to a letter sent in by
the Chinese Seamen's Union. It
was an application sent by the
Union to the shipping companies,
asking for an increase of wages
for Chinese seamen. Mr. Lau
Chu-pak said in view of the nego-
tiations now in progress between
the employers and employed he
thought it inexpedient to inter-
fere.

FOOTBALL.

Meeting of Hongkong F.A.

A meeting of the Hongkong
F.A. was held at Victoria Bar-
racks last evening when Mr. R. J.
Wilton presided over a large
gathering the following Clubs
being represented.

Hongkong Club, Hongkong
Police, Tamar, Cairo, Ambrose,
R.G.A., Kowloon, S.C.A., United
A. C., St. Joseph's and Panjabis
and the management present in-
cluded Mr. E. May, C. S. M. Wil-
liams, Messrs. Moore, Jones,
James Robertson, Hollands, Blake
and M. L. Ralston Hon. Secretary.

Singapore F.A. replied to the
invitation of the Hongkong F.A.
to send a team to Hongkong to
compete for Interport honours,
to the effect that their football
season had finished and that the
matter would be dealt with next
season.

It was decided to arrange
matches on the Club ground for
charities as under:—

Monday, 26th Dec.—Inter-
national Match. England v. Scot-
land. Club ground at 4 p.m.
Scotland's Capt. Mr. J. Rodgers.
England's Capt. Mr. M. L. Ralston.
Tuesday, 27th Dec.—United Ser-
vices v. S.C.A. Club ground at
4 p.m.

An application to play a match
between the services at Sookumpoo
on Monday, January 2nd was
granted.

The matter of great interest
before the meeting was the Report
of the League management in
which Kowloon Club was reported
for defying the League Manage-
ment by playing Eve of H.M.S.
Cairo in the match Club v. Kow-
loon on Oct. 29th, against the
ruling of the League Secretary.

Mr. Weyman, Kowloon asked
why his Club was not informed of
the League Management meeting
and protested against his Club
being condemned without giving
the Committee a chance to ex-
plain. Lengthy correspondence
was read in which appeared a
letter from the League Secretary
stating that he could not give pro-
visional sanction for Kowloon to
play Eve, as his ship was com-
peting in the League, without
written sanction was obtained
from his ship.

Mr. Pascoe, Kowloon, Secretary,
stated that he had the written per-
mission to play Eve and under-
stood by the League Secretary's
letter that by such permission,
Eve could play for Kowloon with-
out any further reference to the
League Management. Mr. Pascoe's
explanation was accepted and the
matter ended.

Kowloon asked if the question
of the League points could be re-
ferred back to the League Manage-
ment, but the meeting decided that
the ruling of that body must
stand.

Batterham of H.M.S. Ambrose
was ordered to be censured on the
recommendation of the Referee's
Board for his conduct in the
Police-Ambrose match, played at
Happy Valley on Nov. 26th during
which he was ordered off the field
by the Referee.

The action of the referee was
approved.

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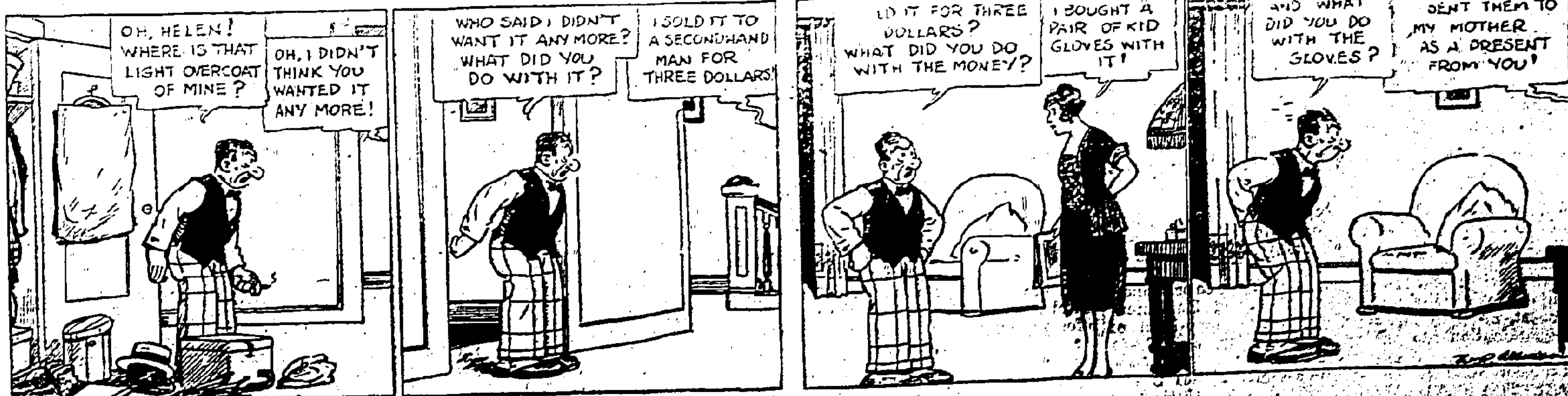
The following have been selected
to represent the British Army v
Officers of the Indian Army, at
Sookumpoo, on Thursday, Decem-
ber 15th. Bully off 8 p.m.

Capt. Snow, R.C.A., Lieut.
Doddington, Lieut. Sergeant,
Wills, Lieut. Macdonald, at.
Wills, Lieut. Hammond, R. E. I.
Cpl. Frost, Wills, L/Cpl. Amor,
Sergeant Andrews, Wills, Bdr. Taylor,
R.C.A., Captain Tomory, R.A.M.C.
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THE PRINCE'S VISIT.

Comprehensive Plans Adopted.

The second meeting of the Executive Committee of the Prince of Wales' Visit Committee was held at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon. Before commencing the business of the meeting the Chairman expressed his pleasure at the return of Commander Beckworth, the Harbour Master, who has been on leave.

The Chairman opened the meeting by presenting to the Committee the proposed special vote which will be brought before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at their next meeting on Thursday. The vote is to include all expenses in connection with the celebrations of the Prince's visit, to pay for the erection of the special pavilion which will be built on the site of the proposed cenotaph in Queen's Square in which the presentation of addresses and sundry receptions and the big dance on the second evening will be held.

The Decorations Sub-Committee proposed that some \$100,000 be asked for. This was agreed to unanimously by the Executive Committee and will be placed before the Finance Committee on Thursday. The Chairman then proposed that the address, which is to embody the names of representatives of the whole community, should be presented to the Prince by Sir Paul Chater, the Chairman of the General Committee. This was unanimously carried.

A sub-Committee was then nominated to prepare the address. Mr. Montague Ede proposed Mr. Justice Gompertz and Mr. S. B. C. Ross as members. It was proposed that the work of embroidering and decorating the address should be done by Messrs. Kelly and Walsh upon the advice of Lt.-Col. Bird.

Representatives from Shanghai.

A question with regard to representatives from Shanghai was raised. The Chairman proposed that letters be written to the Chairman of the Municipal Council, Shanghai, and to the President of the British Chamber of Commerce asking them to select one representative from each body who could come from Shanghai and present the address. The suggestion was also made that in this address should be embodied the residents of other treaty ports. This proposal will be made to the Shanghai bodies mentioned. It was also suggested that Shanghai should send a polo team with some of their best players to provide a good game as possible for His Royal Highness. It was thought possible that the Prince will be willing to play in a match between Hongkong and Shanghai, playing first for Hongkong and then for Shanghai. A letter will be written to the Shanghai Polo Club with this request and General McNaghten will be asked to make all arrangements.

The Chairman then asked the Secretary of Chinese Affairs to report the progress of the Chinese Sub-Committee. The Hon. Mr. Hallifax briefly said that the address was already in preparation and all arrangements were being made for the banquet to be held in the Tai-ping Theatre and for the Fish Procession on the first night. He also added that the Chinese wished to show their enthusiasm and loyalty by bearing the entire expenses of the banquet and procession. (Applause).

Japanese to assist in Programme. The Japanese Consul-General and Mr. Yasuda, Chairman of the Japanese Association were present by special request at the meeting. The Chairman expressed the appreciation of the Committee to the Japanese community for undertaking to arrange the fireworks display. He said all were agreed that it could not have been in better hands. The Japanese Consul-General expressed appreciation at the honour he felt by being permitted to make these arrangements. He was already in communication with a great fire-work expert in Japan and his community wished to participate in two other ways. He hoped that the 60 or 70 Japanese school children might be included when the Prince met the children of the Colony. He also stated that the Japanese residents had expressed their desire to illuminate their residences and business houses.

The Chairman raised the question of the presentation of an honorary University degree to His Royal Highness. Some doubt was expressed as to the Prince having time to visit the University itself. The Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Brunsford, expressed his readiness

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BRITISH SHIPPING WORLD.

London, Dec. 13. It is officially stated that 6 ex-German ships have been sold to Britishers. Four prize steamers have also been sold at prices considered most satisfactory in view of the state of the market. Lord Inchcape has now disposed of all of the 465 ex-German vessels allocated to him except one. Another shipping collapse has been announced. The Cardiff Sailing Shipping Company's whole capital of \$500,000 has been lost.

INDIAN RAILWAYS.

Delhi, Dec. 13. The Railway Financial Committee unanimously reported recommending an annual expenditure of twenty millions sterling for the next five years to rehabilitate the railways, involving the supplementing of the Indian rupee loan by borrowing abroad on the easiest terms.

THE QUADRUPLE AGREEMENT.

London, Dec. 13. With the exception of the *Toronto Telegram* the Canadian press unanimously approves the Quadruple Agreement.

to do all he could to facilitate matters and to confer the degree if thought desirable in the special pavilion.

Mr. J. P. Braga's proposal that a small brochure be given to the school children was considered. The following amendment was carried, viz. that a really good picture of His Royal Highness should be presented to certain schools in the Colony, the list to be selected by the Board of Education. It was considered that this would be a more lasting and valuable souvenir.

The Prince's Letter.

The Chairman asked the Honorary Secretary, Mr. Eric Rice, to read a letter just received from Sir Godfrey Thomas, the Prince's Secretary. The letter was written from H.M.S. Renown and dated November 15th. It stated that "His Royal Highness fully approves in principle of the programme outlined in your telegram of the 20th to the Colonial Office, though you will probably have received already an official intimation to this effect from the Secretary of State." His Royal Highness expressed the hope that he might have the opportunity of shaking hands with all ex-service men and this he desired to do without any recourse to a luncheon or dinner as this is the procedure that he has invariably adopted throughout the Dominions and Colonies. The letter states further: "Nothing gives the Prince greater pleasure than renewing his acquaintance with many of those whom he has already met on active service, and the ex-service men have been given a prominent place and have been his first thought in every town in Canada, Australia and New Zealand and in every Crown Colony which His Royal Highness has visited since 1919. The Prince specially wishes to have the opportunity of seeing the children, boy scouts and officers of the Mercantile Marine mentioned in your telegram of Oct. 20."

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THE FAR EASTERN QUESTION.

Resolutions of Japanese Association.

At a meeting held in Tokyo of representatives of thirty-two Associations consisting of members of both Houses of the Imperial Japanese Diet, statesmen, religionists, scholars, lawyers, journalists, army and naval reservists, businessmen and labourers, the following resolutions were passed in relation to the Washington Conference.

Whereas the Washington Conference involves momentous issues on the successful solution of which the peace of the world entirely depends;

Whereas it is most urgently necessary to establish the foundation for a lasting peace by limiting the naval armaments of the Powers and thereby relieving the people of excessive financial burdens on the one hand and removing the chief cause of international complications on the other;

Whereas an all-round satisfactory solution of the existing problems is the only effective way to avert future danger to world-peace;

Whereas it is our most sincere desire that all armament and other problems relative to the Pacific be settled in a fair and equitable manner in order to ensure the stabilisation of world-peace;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED.

That all racial discriminations be abolished;

That the principles of open door and equal opportunity be applied to all countries of the Pacific without any exception and reservation;

That equality of naval strength be the guiding principle in limiting the naval armaments of the Powers;

That no fortifications or bases menacing other countries be established on the Pacific;

That the introduction into the Conference of problems such as are of sole concern to certain particular Powers or such matters that may be regarded as accomplished facts be scrupulously avoided;

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And that the co-operation of the Powers be secured for the restoration of peace in China and Siberia, and no international control be established over these countries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED. That the above resolutions be communicated to the President of the United States of America and the delegates of the Washington Conference, and their goodwill

and assistance solicited for the realisation of the objects stated therein. Sd/- Toru Terao, President, Meeting of the Representatives of thirty-two Associations consisting of Members of both Houses of the Imperial Japanese Diet, Statesmen, Religionists, Scholars, Lawyers, Journalists, Army and Naval Reservists, Businessmen, and Labourers.

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Hongkong, 13th Dec., 1921.

SECRETS OF STREATHAM
HOUSE OF DEATH.

Glasses of Poisoned Wine.

What is the real secret of the fourfold tragedy at the locked mansion in Leigham Court-road, Streatham, London?

Was there a death compact between man and wife to exterminate the whole of their family?

Probably the full story will never come to light, but enough has been discovered to indicate some of the underlying causes behind a mysterious family drama. It is known that Scotland Yard officials held a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Ernest Coates on certain serious charges, which would have been executed on the afternoon that the discovery of the tragedy was made.

POISONED WINE.

It is believed that the four victims died through drinking wine, and, with a view to determining this, the district coroner has requested Dr. Spilsbury, the Home Office expert, to make a post-mortem examination.

It is necessary for an analysis, the services of Dr. Jewsbury or Mr. Webster, the assistants of Dr. W. H. Wilcox, will be retained.

An empty wine bottle and a number of glasses have been taken possession of by the police.

How many of the family deliberately prepared for their death it is impossible to say.

It is suggested that Mrs. Coates, realising the unfortunate position in which her husband was placed, entered into a death compact with him to obliterate the whole of the family.

TRIED TO BUY MORPHIA.

It is known that a man answering somewhat to the description of Coates called at several chemists' shops in the neighbourhood attempting to purchase morphia in such a quantity as to raise the suspicions of the chemists, and in consequence they declined to supply him.

Each member of the family had a strange history. Their house was a house of mystery, and probably of sorrow; their past was a secret to the people of the neighbourhood.

Mr. Ernest Coates, the head of the household, is variously described as an electrical engineer, a commission agent, and a furniture dealer. Probably he followed all these occupations in turn.

FINANCE DIFFICULTIES.

Once affluent, his fortunes seem to have been on the decline during recent years, and he is supposed to have been struggling with financial difficulties before his death.

His wife, Maria, was a Spanish woman, aged about 60, and his senior by some 15 years. She had previously been twice married, and about her early days little is known.

Sometimes she spoke mysteriously about her friendship with the Spanish Royal Family, and how as a nurse in their service she had saved the life of King Alfonso after an attack by anarchists.

DAUGHTER'S TRAGIC HISTORY.

Mrs. Daisy Townsend, daughter of Mrs. Coates, appears to have had a past as tragic as any of the four. A robust, good-looking woman, she was formerly on the stage, and later became a concert singer of some note.

About two years ago she married, and went to Canada with her husband, but two months later she returned—alone.

Later, she declined in health, and looked pale and worn. Then, about six months ago, she had to be taken to a hospital, where she spent five months, and had to undergo serious operations.

Ever since she returned home, Mrs. Townsend had been an invalid and her health was a source of continual anxiety to her mother.

Henry de Marron, Mrs. Coates's son, was a strange, eccentric, man, whose mind seems to have given way under the stress of war service. He invariably went about without collar or tie, and a long overcoat that reached down to his heels.

THE CRISIS.

It was about Whitsuntide, in 1919, that the Coates took up their residence in the Knowle, in Leigham Court-road. From this time their fortunes seem to have been steadily declining, but the crisis seems to have come when Mrs. Townsend went into hospital.

According to what Mrs. Coates told some of her neighbours, her daughter's illness proved very expensive, and coming on top of other financial embarrassments, it seemed to have preyed on the mind of the mother.

However, nobody who knew the family had any reason to anticipate their fate, and the tragedy came swiftly and unexpectedly. Everything seems to have been as usual in the rather unusual household. Mrs. Coates ordered her customary supply of food, including 2 lbs. of butter, and a large piece of ham. Certainly, she did not then appear to have been contemplating the end that was in store for her.

Of the events on Sunday very little is known, and much has to be surmised. In the afternoon the family was alive—they were seen in the garden by neighbours—but from then until the time when the police broke open the locked doors of the maisonette and discovered the tragedy nothing is known.

Probably Mr. Ernest Coates staged the drama alone. He wrote three letters foreshadowing the tragedy—one to the coroner, one to his brother, and the third to the other occupants of the house.

These letters are now in the possession of Scotland Yard. They contain a detailed explanation of the affairs of the family.

It may not have been until Sunday that Mr. Coates broke the news to his wife that he was

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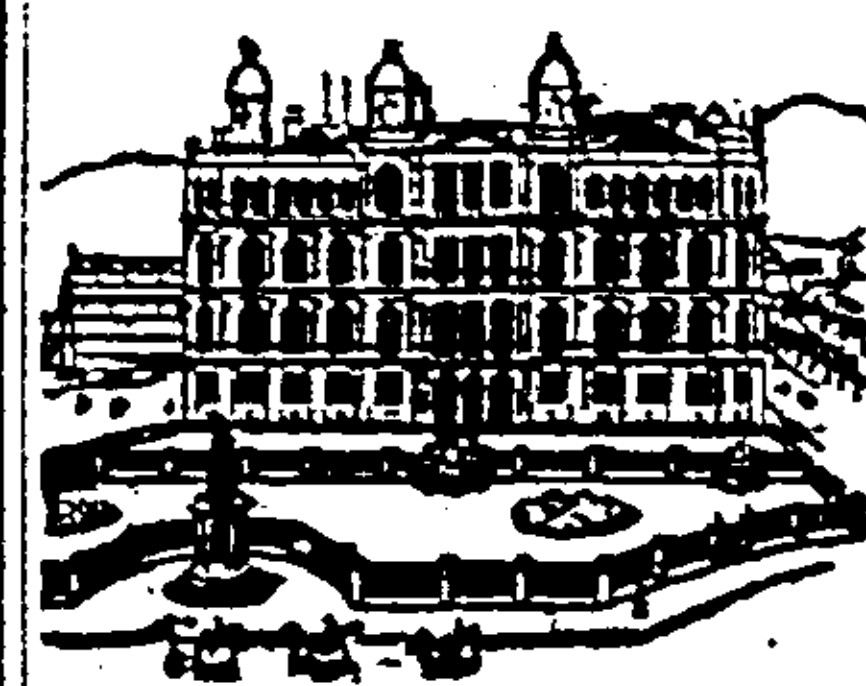
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in danger of arrest. This is one of the points that is never likely to be cleared up, but what indications there are point in this direction.

It was on Sunday that Mrs. Coates wrote to a maid-servant, who had been with the family for about two months, and who had been sent away for the week-end, that she would not require her services any more.

"CHARGE AGAINST THE HUSBAND. Had the supposed murders and suicides been delayed for but another 24 hours, Mr. Coates would have been in the hands of the law.

A warrant had already been taken out for his arrest, which was to have been executed by Detective-Inspector Hill, of New Scotland Yard. It is understood that the charges concerned alleged misappropriation of money.

The house where the tragedy was enacted has an element of mystery about it and is reminiscent of a Conan Doyle setting.

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NEW CABLE.

It is reported from Montevideo that work will shortly be begun on a new Transatlantic cable connecting Italy, Spain, and Brazil with Uruguay. "IPSE" TEST FOR THE "SCOUTER." An officer of the boy scouts will in future be called a "scouter," and the form of his initiation will be known as the Iperse Test (pronounced "sepsy," a Bantu word meaning "Whither?").

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1921.

ULSTER'S OBSTINACY.

After years of waiting, with hopes sinking to zero, the citizens of the British Empire were overjoyed last week to hear that a settlement of the Irish controversy had been reached. Scarcely had the good news been sent over the wires than we learned that Mr. de Valera was doing his best or his worst to dash our new expectation. Happily, he appears to be in a minority among his colleagues of the Dail Cabinet, as to which we shall hear further after the meeting of that body fixed for to-day. Meanwhile, trouble threatens from another quarter. "The Unowned King of Ulster" has retired into the seclusion of a Law Lordship, but it is abundantly evident that the Carsonian spirit still rules in the councils of Orangedom. Until the last year or two Sir James Craig was not widely known. Were he bent upon rivalling his predecessor's reputation, he could not have adopted a more intransigent attitude.

That Ulster has cause for caution is generally acknowledged. The hope has been that the South of Ireland legislature would be able to give such tokens of aptitude and equity as would induce Ulster to join forces after a trial period, a joint council meanwhile serving as a link. This was the arrangement formulated in the Act passed this year. In the settlement arrived at by the conference just held, this plan was varied so that an All-Ireland Parliament might be constituted forthwith if Ulster assented. Probably few people would be surprised at Ulster not electing to enter immediately. The feature of the Ulster attitude that calls for disapprobation is the obdurate tone of her spokesmen's utterances, particularly those of her Premier. "Ulster is determined not to swerve an inch" is the latest of Sir James Craig's declarations. The accent of flat rejection, the refusal even to consider the new situation, is suggestive of the earlier Sinn Fein resistance to every effort at conciliation. A word from Ulster's leader to the effect that the Northern community would observe with sympathetic interest her neighbour's attempt to evolve an efficient legislature might well prove a step towards more amiable relations and eventual reconciliation. The new agreement, as cabled, does not appear to make specific provision, as the Act passed earlier in the year did, for the amalgamation of the two Parliaments if Ulster consented to the union at a subsequent period, but it goes without saying that the amalgamation could be effected at any time that it was found to be mutually agreeable. While, however, Sinn Fein (pace Mr. de Valera and clique) has finally shown a disposition to take a rational view of things, Orangedom still repeats "Leave us alone" in total disregard of the new spirit.

The immediate cause of the latest hindrance is presumably the question of rectified boundaries in the event, which is, of course, a foregone conclusion, of Ulster not agreeing to an All-Ireland Parliament at the start. Sir James Craig's statement that Ulster was not invited to sign the agreement implies at first sight that the Imperial authorities ignored the Northern province. It is difficult to credit that Ulster was not consulted, and, if not invited to sign, the inference is that the Imperial representatives deemed it injudicious to risk a breakdown of the settlement with Sinn Fein because of a refusal by Ulster, the part allotted to the latter being left largely to the good sense of the province. Apparently the boundary readjustment in contemplation refers to Fermanagh and Tyrone, where Sinn Fein has made marked headway. It is not proposed to fix an arbitrary division, but to leave the question to a boundary commission or to a plebiscite. Here Ulster might learn a lesson from her own area. Formerly the province constituted a solid block. The uncompromising deportment of the Orange leaders has alienated supporters to the extent that Ulster's sway has contracted itself into the North-East of Ireland. There must be something to be said for the Southern side when Lord Birkenhead, erstwhile "galloper" to Ulster's chief, espouses its cause. Ulster's rights must be respected; so must the rights of others. Now that progress has been made, why cannot the parties (if the de Valera coterie do not torpedo the settlement reached last week) formulate the framework of a plan for eventual union!

[An important cable, published on page 1, has since arrived.]

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Reservations All Round.

Room for almost endless comment was opened up at the meeting of the Hongkong League of Fellowship and Service held on Monday evening, but it is not our purpose to argue on such a matter as racial disabilities or advantages. We gladly leave that to any who care to embark upon such a theme, the attitude towards which must always be governed by the nationality of the speaker or writer. But we are very keenly interested in the matter of reservations, whether they be on the Peak, at Taiipo, or Cheung Chau or anywhere else. We wish to put it quite plainly to those who discussed this matter that the granting of reservations all round and not the abolition of reservations is, in this cosmopolitan Colony, the only feasible method of distributing the population, having regard to the comfort of all concerned. Is it not because we consider any particular race is superior or inferior to another or that we would discriminate if there were no imperative need, but there is a need, based on two points—one social and the other economic. To deal with the social first: Between the social and communal life of Chinese and Europeans there are many incompatibilities; their ways of living are different. The writer of this note tried to live on the Conduit Road after Robinson Road had been taken over by well-to-do Chinese but he and those with him were driven out of the house because they couldn't stand the Chinese music, the hawkers and other distracting accompaniments. Chinese ways among the Chinese are all very well, but to those who are not used to such diversions they are distressing. The same might be said by a Chinese of some of the ways of Europeans. It is all a matter of point of view, but there is only one way to gain harmony between neighbours and that is to make sure that their doings are compatible with the tastes of all around them. We would strongly advocate a residential reservation for the Chinese, for the Portuguese, for the Americans, for the British, for the Indians—for all communities sufficiently strong to need one. We should have a far greater social sense than we have now. And we would make those reservations inviolate of trespass by others on economic grounds. European houses on Robinson Road, Conduit Road, Macdonnell Road, Kennedy Road—and the list could be extended—have often been bought over the heads of European occupants by wealthy Chinese, Japanese, firms, and others until the former occupants have been driven out over to Kowloon or to some other place. If this Colony had reservations all round that couldn't be done, all classes would be better protected and there wouldn't be quite so much foolish contention over this rather "touchy" matter. It is a subject on which there needs to be brought to bear just a little common horse sense instead of childish indignation over imagined slights.

For snatching a gold ear ornament, set with pearls, from a Chinese lady in Des Vaux Road Central yesterday, a Chinese was this morning sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindell to six months' hard labour, in addition to being ordered to receive ten strokes with the birch. The prisoner was chased and arrested by Sir Robert Hong's son who had witnessed the theft. Asked what he did for a living the prisoner said he was a tailor but was now out of employment. "So you turn your energy to snatching?" was the Magistrate's remark as he dealt out the sentence stated above.

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Commercial and Residential.

And in the matter of our City we would like to see our Government make a definite line between the native and the foreign sections of it; just for the reason that they both ought to be protected against encroachment. The foreign office and shop section of the city is being squeezed in tighter and tighter every year. There is no room to go east because of the Naval Yard and the military establishments and there is no room to go west because we at once get into native streets and districts. Wellington Street, Wyndham Street, Pottinger Street, D'Aguiar Street and On Lan Street are all Chinese or nearly so, and along Queen's Road the native shops creep more and more eastward. It was a great pity, we think, that the Government allowed Chinese houses to be erected in Ice House Street right opposite the Bishop's House, because there should be a line drawn somewhere. If we take a look at our waterfront we find a fine array of imposing offices as far west as the Post Office and then we go into Chinese property almost at once. The duty of a Government is to protect all classes and it certainly ought to protect the foreign business community a little better than it is doing. Valuable blocks of offices are being acquired right in the heart of the foreign quarter of the city by people whose interests are almost wholly native. Yes, we

DAY BY DAY.

WITHOUT TACT YOU CAN LEARN NOTHING. TACT TEACHES YOU WHEN TO BE SILENT. INQUIRERS WHO ARE ALWAYS ENQUIRING NEVER LEARN ANYTHING.—Disraeli.

Yesterday's health return shows that there was one fatal case of plague (Chinese). One Britisher was also reported to be suffering from diphtheria.

For blasting at a different hour than that stipulated in the Ordinance, a contractor, who was charged in Mr. J. R. Wood's Court this morning, was fined \$1 and warned.

In the first round of the Tennis Doubles Tournament conducted by the Canton Municipality Tennis Club, Messrs. Fong and Hyder will play Messrs. Howard and Brooker on the Municipality Tennis Court on Sunday afternoon, at 2.30 p.m. sharp. Much sportsmanship and interest in tennis has been shown in the coming of Mr. Hyder from Hongkong who had recently changed his business address to the Island from Canton.—Canton Times.

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WORLD THEATRE.

A Romance of the North West.

In the World Theatre's change of programme the star film is a picture entitled "Under Northern Lights." It is a story of love and duty and of the gallant exploits of the famous Royal North West Mounted Police. The picture contains plenty of excitement and no lack of thrills. It is a Universal production, the principal roles being taken by the popular movie stars Virginia Faire and Leonard Clapham. Another fine film is a Universal Jewel Comedy, "Roman Romeos," featuring the two well-known comedians Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran. At the 2.30 and 7.15 performances two new episodes (Nos. 15 and 17) of the splendid serial "King of the Circus," featuring the great actor Eddie Polo, are screened.

would have reservations all round, both residential and commercial. We have tried to make it plain that our only object in advocating such a plan is to safeguard, not to discriminate. The whole subject is so big that it might very well be entrusted to a special Commission for consideration and report. Unless the future planning of this Colony is to be even more "biggedly piggedly" than it has been in the past and if we are to avoid needless friction we shall have to wake up to the fact that something is wrong. Let us try to correct it without getting hot under the collar or casting undeserved slurs.

ROUND THE TOWN.

By "Gadabout."

Although Hongkong is one of the largest ports in the world, outside the East people seem to be remarkably ignorant of our Colony. Some of the delegates from Frisco, who departed during the past week, expressed surprise at what we had to show them. Some people, I suppose, (though I don't think our visitors were as bad as that) think we go about with six-shooters in our belts and carry our lives in our hands. Old John, with his ready smile, willing to run us home in his ricksha, carry us up the hill in his chair, mend our boots, or earn a few cents in some other honest way, would be a big surprise to those who will depict him in the guise of a cunning and crafty ruffian always awaiting his opportunity to stick a knife in our ribs, or carry out some other dark and dirty deed equally blood-curdling and unpleasant. A few mud huts, or something of the kind, I suppose, is the picture that presents itself in the minds of many people at home at the mention of this thriving and prosperous little corner of the Empire. But we showed them the other day. Two fine ships launched within a few hours of each other proved to our visitors that Hongkong is by no means the dead-and-alive hole that many, perhaps, think it. They also learnt that John, instead of being a lawless, bloodthirsty hoodlum, is a hardworking, thrifty and law-abiding citizen.

Many of the delegation expressed surprise, I noticed, when they saw our dockyards. Fitters, and turners, and riveters, and artisans in all those other thousand and one trades which go to make up the complement of a modern engineering establishment, all busy drilling and hammering and going about their work as efficiently as those in any yard in other countries, greatly impressed our visitors. And the finished product of their labours impressed them quite as much as did the hive of industry itself. It is always interesting, I think, to stroll down Chinatown and watch our friends carrying on their business. The shops open from early morning to late at night—no eight hour day for them—and everybody always on the look-out for trade; their clothing factories, tobacco factories, glass factories, scent factories and other factories in which all kinds of commodities are made, always humming prosperously, show that Western ideas are making great strides in the East. Everywhere signs of industry and commercial strife greet the eye. The West can show the East a great deal, but it's not altogether a one-sided show. Old John knows a thing or two, and there can be little doubt that our visitors from the States were able to learn quite a lot in Hongkong.

I was surprised that there were not more people at the World Theatre on Monday night to hear Captain Evans lecture on that glorious dash to the South Pole. The attendance was not really bad, I suppose, but considering the attraction, the house should have been packed. The prices were low enough, surely, and it was in aid of a good cause. The money raised was handed over to charity, but those who went to the Theatre by no means gave the money; they had full value for every cent. Captain Evans, of Evans of the Brooke, who will never forget that glorious incident in British Naval history? is not a lecturer who bores his listeners with technical terms or reads parrot-fashion from notes. It was chock-a-block with interest right from start to finish and Capt. Evans' dry humour contributed in no small measure to the success of his lecture. And who could help being thrilled by his graphic description of the hardships those intrepid explorers endured, their good fellowship, their optimism and their cheerfulness in the face of extreme physical discomfort and death? It was an inspiring story of inspiring deeds and told by an inspiring man.

The Jazzites ought to have a merry Xmas this year. A dinner-dance at Repulse Bay on Christmas Eve ought to attract quite a number. There is a fancy dress dance at the Hongkong Hotel Grill on Boxing Day, and on Wednesday another dance at the Hotel round the other side of the Island. There is a fancy dress dance on New Year's Eve at Repulse Bay and

on January 2nd, another at the same hotel. Truly an attractive programme. Hongkong seems to be going Jazz mad, or perhaps it would be better to say it has already gone mad on the ever-conquering music which our cousins from across the pond have brought us. Wiseman's dancers are a great success, I hear, and the Kowloon Theatre is now going whole-heartedly into dance nights and attracting quite a lot of people. It is going to be a real Jazzie Christmas.

CHILD ACTOR'S SUCCESS.

Fine Performance With Charlie Chaplin.

The most noteworthy feature of Charlie Chaplin's masterpiece "The Kid" after the acting of the great comedian himself is the wonderful performance of the boy actor Jackie Coogan. During the nine months it took to make this picture Chaplin had little Jackie with him always and in that time succeeded in making him probably the finest child exponent of real comedy the screen has ever known. Those who see him in his first picture, will watch Jackie Coogan's future career with interest.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Ay, when a thing's right up against your nose it can look terrible big, but it greatly depends though, on how far you stand back when it comes to getting the true perspective. I think everybody in Hongkong should be made once a year to look at the map just to see how small a dot this Colony is. You see, we're very apt to get thinking about Hongkong in terms of displacement, tonnage, outposts of Empire and the like, with the result that we can't see our boots for the way our chests swell out. Bearing that in mind then, I'm not what you'd say exactly surprised that the Washington Conference didn't stop for five minutes and dictate a telegram of thanks to those who such as brethren are and who in unity dwell in Hongkong. Incidentally, you meeting the night before last, has just about put the Fellowship and Service bunch out of business. They couldn't have picked on a better subject for discord if they'd sat up all night over the choosing. I'm glad now I didn't send in my two dollars, which just shows ye that ye canna' be too careful wi' they new-fangled societies. No, it's not possible to change human nature by resolution for the devil's aye a busy bishop in his own diocese. I hope the next society'll no' be sae hise anyway. Better a guid coo than a coo o' a guid kind.

As I was sayin' though, it's funny the kind o' ideas some folks have o' Hongkong. I once knew a lass that came from America to marry a chap here and she left all her silver and table linen behind her and brought only thoughts o' domestic martyrdom. She never was so much astonished in all her life as when she sailed into Hongkong harbour and saw the place as it is. She had an idea that the folk here lived in huts! That's the gospel truth, for the toll me herself. Huts! Suffering mother, and the Exhibition held at the City Hall only yesterday. After seeing some o' you exhibits I'll no' go the length o' saying that making imitation pictures is an infallible sign of civilisation but it certainly proves that lots of our women folk have got a long way past knowing what to do wi' their spare time. And that often passes as a sign of culture.

Joe and I went along and saw the show just before tea yesterday. I wish I'd known better for you sort o' thing's no' nicks taken on an empty stomach. Joe, he's by way of an art critic, his sister at one time having won a prize for poker work and leather punching—repose work, I think he called it. Still for all that I wouldn't go so far as to say that you art business runs in the family.

At one time he was a bit inclined to question some o' my criticisms on the score that I couldn't do any better myself. "That's sounds fair enough but as I said, a chap might know a bad egg when he sees it and, at the same time no' be expected to lay one. Besides, how does he know I couldn't paint like you? I've never tried anyway. That's what the Irishman

COUNCIL MEETING.

The Census.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will take place to-morrow. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., will ask the following question:—"When will the final Report on the Census, which was taken last Spring, be published?" The orders of the day are—First reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to facilitate the reciprocal enforcement of judgments and awards in the Colony of Hongkong and in other parts of His Majesty's dominions and in certain other territories. Second reading of the Bill intitled An Ordinance to amend further the Rents Ordinance, 1921. Second reading of the Bill intitled An Ordinance to regulate the imposition of the penalty of stocks. The second reading of the Bill intitled An Ordinance to restrict the taking of legal proceedings in respect of certain acts and matters done during the war and to provide in certain cases remedies in substitution therefor.

BAD WINTER FOR MOSQUITOES. To prevent breeding of mosquitoes Wimbledon (London) Council has decided during the winter to spray the sewage farm with paraffin.

He could play the fiddle. Ay, true ye never know just how much of a botch ye can make of anything till ye try. The newspapers said that the standard of work at your exhibition was much higher this year. Well, I don't know, me being at home last year but frankly, after reading accounts of the monthly private shows from time to time, I was a bit disappointed. I think only a dozen pictures in all were worth more than a second look-see. I didn't have a catalogue on the principle that if a thing needs a name to recognise it by it's on the road to failure anyway. So I'm not able to mention the artists. The picture of the Chinese boy wi' the big hat was good, as was also the moonlight seascape. Four country scenes, growing corn and corn in the stocks, etc., looked very natural. Some of the small sketches showing light among the shadows on the paths were fine and looked like spontaneous work. A picture of some junk end-on, had sparkle and would have been vastly improved if about six inches of the foreground (if water may be termed such) were cut off. One drawing (a head) was good and a lot of chrysanthemums, fresh and crisp looking, were beautifully painted. Half a dozen black and whites were firm in line and showed originality.

Some of the portraits though were awful, and I use the word deliberately. One there might very well have portrayed "The Worst Woman in London" and got away wi' it. Some o' you portrait painters should take a walk up Flower Street occasionally and have a look at the Coronet posters. It would help their style a lot. I wonder if any of them ever tried using green for their flesh shadows? That and purple helps wonderfully in preserving the transparency and keeps the muddy, dead look from the skin. Art is truth. If our artists will paint, then for the love o' goodness let them go outside and paint nature as she is, no matter how rough the attempt. You canna' improve on her by touching up and faking and amending indoors. Lots of the pictures had this fault. No matter what it is, you must paint what you see. Making rough pencil sketches and then filling in colour afterwards by memory'll no' do. You'll never get atmosphere in the drawing room, except artificiality. And if ye canna' draw, except off a photograph, you'd be better to take up croquet work instead. That's honest anyway and what's more forbye, doesn't do the Chinese artists in Wyndham Street out of a job.

Ay, there's a vast difference between art and being artistic. If your painting's no' truly creative and does not express yourself, you may successfully fool yourself for a while and your friends who know no better, but you're only making imitation pictures for all that. And you can buy that kind cheap enough, goodness knows.

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Homeward by the Teiresias.

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Mr. Hamilton Maxwell of Loxley and Co., and formerly of Queen's College.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Knapp and Lieut. R. E. Beauchamp R.N.R.

New N.Y.K. Head Office Building.

The new head office building for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha which is being erected in Marunouchi, Tokyo, by the George A. Fuller Co., of the Orient Ltd., from plans prepared by Sone and Chujo, architects, will, when completed, be one of the finest buildings in the East. The new building will house the entire head office staff of the Company and will be equipped in a manner in keeping with buildings of similar character in western countries. Many new and practical ideas are being carried out in the design and construction work, a brief description being as follows:

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class in every respect, the ornamental features being carried out in iron, bronze, marble, ornamental plaster and teakwood. The best modern engineering practices have been introduced into the design of the plumbing, heating and electrical equipment. The elevator installation will consist of nine high speed elevators. For the accommodation of the employees a large dining hall with private and officers' dining rooms will occupy a large portion of the seventh floor. The kitchens have been planned and designed with much care to secure maximum amount of length and ventilation. Throughout the entire planning and construction work to date the main thought on the part of the company and those to whom the planning and construction work has been entrusted, is to produce when completed a building which will be of modern character and dignity and will be in keeping with the character and dignity of the company.

In Wireless Communication.
 The following vessels were in wireless communication with the port at 2.30 p.m. to-day:—Eury-medon, Kamakura Maru, Fyrdareus, Yamagata Maru, Fortbos, Talibhybus, Dunera, Tenda, Tjimanock, Gleniffer, Methven, Dongola, Newby Hall.

THE IRISH TRUCE.
 It is disclosed in a White Paper that the arrangements governing the cessation of active operations in Ireland, which came into force on July 11, were settled by personal negotiation. They were the subject of an honourable understanding, and were not embodied in any formal signed agreement.

WILLING TO GO.

Defendant's Helpful Attitude.

David Tay, alias Tony Tann, who is being held by the police in consequence of advices from Singapore to the effect that he is connected with the theft of a sum of \$10,000 from a European firm, appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning on remand in the application that has been filed for his extradition.

Mr. G. R. Haywood informed the Magistrate that as the prisoner's solicitor, he had advised his client that no defence could be raised here because in any case he would be sent back to Singapore to stand his trial. With regard to the sum of \$4,000 deposited by the prisoner in the United Motorboat Company for the possession of which he understood the Crown would make an application to the Court, he would like to state that \$300 of this belonged to the prisoner's wife, who was now left without any means of subsistence through the tying up of this sum. Conclusive evidence would be brought forward to prove that this sum belonged to her, and he would ask his worship to give due allowance for this claim in any order he might make for the return of the \$4,000 to the Crown.

Mr. Hazlegrave, who represented the Crown, said that it was true he would make such an application, but not for the present.

Mr. Wood agreed that he would not make any order regarding the disposal of the money without hearing Mr. Haywood.

The prisoner informed the Court that he would prefer to go back to Singapore as soon as possible.

The Magistrate, to Mr. Hazlegrave: Is it not possible to send him back by mutual consent in advance of the requisition papers?

Mr. Hazlegrave: I think so. It has been done in other cases. Defendant can be sent back if he likes.

Can that be arranged?—Yes. His worship observed that a lot of trouble would be saved by that means. He proposed to adjourn the case for a week, and in the meantime if an application were made to him for the release of the prisoner with the view of his deportation to Singapore he would grant it.

EARL OF MAR'S HEIR AS CANDIDATE.

Lord Erskine, eldest son of the Earl of Mar and Kellie, has been adopted as the prospective Coalition Unionist candidate for Weston-super-Mare.

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Mr. J. D. Whyte, second officer, Sinkiang, has gone acting chief officer, Tientsin.

Captain G. D. S. Mills, of the Ngankin, is on leave.

Captain F. Newcombe, from leave, has gone master, Ngankin.

Mr. D. D. Richards, second officer, Hoihow, is on reserve.

Mr. D. McPherson, from reserve, has gone second officer, Hoihow.

Mr. R. Bain, second engineer, Soochow, has signed off.

Mr. D. McCormack, from leave, has gone second engineer, Soochow.

Mr. W. Cromby, second engineer, Hoihow, has gone second engineer, Chekiang.

Mr. J. Roberts, second engineer, Chekiang, has gone second engineer, Hoihow.

Mr. R. G. Palmer, chief officer, Waishing, has signed off.

Mr. A. W. Sawyer has been appointed second officer, Loongwo.

Captain W. Gibb, of the Loongwo, is on reserve.

Captain G. F. James, from leave, has gone master, Loongwo.

Mr. W. Henderson, second officer, Loongwo, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. J. M. Surgeon, from reserve, has gone supernumerary chief officer, Waishing.

Mr. N. H. Grieg, second officer, Koonshing, has gone acting chief officer, Suifu.

Mr. S. F. Pinchin, second officer, Tuckwo, has gone acting chief officer, Kutwo.

Mr. E. V. Bishop, chief officer, Kutwo, has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. M. Dawson, chief officer, Loongwo, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Thomson, chief engineer, Koonshing, is on reserve.

Mr. W. T. Bould, third engineer, Kwongsang, has gone acting second engineer, Yusan.

Mr. J. S. MacDonald, second engineer, Yusan, is on leave.

Mr. J. Wallace has been appointed third engineer, Kwong-sang.

Mr. L. F. Ellis, second engineer, Tungwo, has gone second engineer, Loongwo.

Mr. R. E. Laker, second engineer, Loongwo, is on leave.

Mr. J. A. Murphy, from leave, has gone chief officer, Kianghsin.

Mr. J. Turner, from leave, has gone chief engineer, Kwangchi.

Mr. W. Bowden, from leave, has gone second engineer, Irene.

Mr. M. McPhail, from leave, has gone second engineer, Kiang-yung.

Mr. K. Notila, second engineer, Tungwah, has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.

Mr. K. Kivinski has been appointed second engineer, Tungwah.

Mr. O. Carvalho, from leave, has gone third engineer, Haeon.

Mr. A. Shaw has been appointed third engineer, Hsinking.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Sir Basil Thomson, who resigns his post at New Scotland Yard, has had a more romantic career than the average Civil servant. He was once a Premier. Son of an Archbishop of York who married a famous Oxford beauty, he entered the Colonial Office and was sent out to Fiji. When Sir John Thurston, the Governor of Fiji, felt himself compelled to depose the Rev. Shirley Baker, a Methodist minister who had made himself Dictator and Prime Minister of the Tongan archipelago, Mr. Thomson was installed, at the age of 29, into the vacant Premiership. He has related his amusing experiences in his "Divisions of a Prime Minister."

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BECOMING SAILOR OF BLOCKED FELT WITH A BAND OF FOLDED VELVET

Stiff Blocked Sailors All the Rage. You May Have a Straight Sailor, A Roll-Brim, Sailor or a Tricorne.

EACH season sees its special hat that is the fashionable craze. This winter it is the blocked silk beaver—or better the plush model; plain as a pipestem, stiff as a hat can be. But oh so smart!

Sailors are as famous as Cuban panamas or Vicos feathered hats. Everybody knows what a Knox sailor is; but this fall the sailor stands for a special mode taken up by fashion and only for general exclusiveness in hat wear. Wherever you see a millinery window now; you see, among the new models in velvet and feathers, one or two of these black-as-black stiff-as-stiff sailors—the very latest word in tailored smartness for autumn.

And they are surprisingly becoming too—these stiff, black hats. They have an air about them, you might say. They are sternly masculine, but masculine togger is captivating on femininity when a whole costume is in keeping. And when the masculine wearables are in the right proportions for feminine persons. Nothing is so grotesque as an ordinary masculine hat topping a feminine coiffure, when the hat is too small in the headsize to fit down over the feminine tresses. But there are masculine hats made especially for women now; just as there are trouser suits, negligee shirts, low-heeled boots and four-in-hand neckties especially for fair wearers.

BLOCKED HATS FOR WEAR WITH ALL COSTUMES.

These smart, jetty black blocked sailors are not for sport wear alone. They are seen with draped wraps and fringe-trimmed frocks. For some reason or other they seem to look well with high-heeled footwear—as very few other wearables of masculine persuasion do. There are blocked sailors of special type for wear with the more feminine type of costume. One is a roll-brim sailor with soft, curving lines; you will find it among the illustrations, accompanying a velvet coat with a big fur collar. No hat in years has had the success of this cunning little roll-brim model of black silk beaver. It is cute; it is snappy; it is smart-as-smart—and it is delightfully becoming. The crown is blocked in such a way that corners are rounded off and angles are eliminated. The hat settles well down on the head and the roll-brim is faced with velvet—always the most becoming fabric above the face. There is a velvet trimming band too, and the edge of the brim, as in all these exclusively smart hats, is bound with ribbon. Whether you prefer a soft velvet chapeau with a trailing ostrich feather or not, you will have one of these shiny, silk beaver hats this fall—if you desire to be completely in fashion.

BRIM FACINGS IN COLOUR.

Another type of semi-formal blocked hat is shown with a draped duvetyn wrap, embroidered on the collar. This hat is also of black silk beaver, and has the same soft curve of crown; but the brim is stiff and straight, giving the smart sailor line. Under this straight brim is a

facing of tan velvet, which harmonizes with the tan and brown embroidery on the costume. Some of these hats are faced in blue; some in gray, and one even sees purple and red facings. Here again the hat fits well down on the head with a very large headsize—a characteristic of all correctly worn sailors this season.

A different sort of sailor is down for the sport girl. In the picture you see it with a new sweater and silk neckscarf. The sailor has a severe crown without softening curves and a stiff, straight brim—but see how far down on the head the hat comes. Quite over the eyebrows and tops of the ears. One speaks repeatedly of this matter of large headsize, for these hats must positively be big enough to come well down on head and hair or the silhouette of smartness is lost. The sailor hat pictured has the new sort of band made of black moire ribbon of very lustrous heavy quality and with a good-sized tailored bow.

THE SPECIAL BOBBED HAIR HAT.

The Bobby is a special hat designed for young women who wear their hair bobbed—and every other girl seems to be doing it these days. The Bobby has a blocked crown and a slightly down-slanting brim that frames the fluffy bobbed hair most becomingly. It is a hat that looks well only with a young, fresh face and women past the early twenties should beware of it and affect, rather, the straight-brimmed sailor with hair smoothly netted under the severe brim. And right here a word is in order about the coiffures that go with blocked hats. Flyaway ends of hair, ear-muffs and the like do not accord with these smart, black, sleekly brushed sailors. The hair should be dressed close to the head and with a beautiful neatness. A well-groomed effect is the perfect ideal. Your blocked, mannish hat expresses it and so must your coiffure.

BLOCKED HATS OF SOFT FELT.

For country wear, and for town wear too, there are hats of soft felt with the same tailored smartness that the blocked silk beaver hats have, and these felt hats are recommended for rainy days—for rain does not treat a glossy silk beaver hat very kindly. Two correct models in blocked felt are pictured. One is a straight-brim sailor; the new model with tall crown and narrow brim, and a band of draped velvet. This hat is of wisteria coloured felt and the velvet band is deep pansy purple. All shades of purple and violet are fashionable now and shades of purple in a sport hat are particularly well liked. One may have other colours too; a tan hat with a brown velvet band; a gray-blue hat with a deep blue band, and so on. The soft felt hat has an artistic and becoming line with its brim curling up at the back and shading the face in front. It is just the sort of hat to wear with one of the new tweed sport coats.

WINTER FURS FOR THE YOUNGER SET.

The dearest fur of all to childhood is rabbit. There is something about a bunny, in whatever guise, that especially appeals to youthful fancy. Rabbit is not at all an expensive pelt; but Paris uses a deal of it in children's garments; perhaps because children adore rabbit so, and perhaps because the fine, short fur is well suited to garments of



White Furs Are So Luxurious—And Delightful With One's Best Velvet Coat And Formal Bonnet!

such small proportions. Squirrel seems to come next, and a great deal of squirrel in the lovely gray shade is used to trim little coats and bonnets; and is made into cunning muffs and neckpieces. Rabbit and squirrel are frequently used together and one of the illustrations shows this effect in a muff and neckpiece. Of course, the neckpiece has an animal head, with jaws gripping the other end of the little col-

larette, and both muff and neckpiece are the right size for a wee girl. The juvenile muff is usually suspended on a silk cord or ribbon. If it is not it will almost certainly be lost. One cannot remember her muff all the time, you know, and if it is not anchored fast that moment is bound to come when it is forgotten because of some other supreme interest. Grown people carry their belongings in their subconscious minds and rarely lose their things; but the child remembers only consciously and the moment some more pressing interest arises purse, or muff, or wee parasol go by the board.

The rabbit and squirrel set is quite big enough for its wearer; a very small child should not be loaded down with furs. Though, of course, any normal little girl will select the biggest set she can stagger under if the choice is left to her. For an older girl of ten or eleven years the white Thibet goat set is charming. This fur looks much like white fox except that it is coarser and slightly kinky when damp. It must be kept carefully brushed or it becomes matted but it is one of the favoured furs for children and costs considerably less than white fox would. The set pictured is very dainty with white satin linings in scarf and muff and the muff suspended by a white silk cord. The little girl wears her fur scarf as the picture shows; with the brush and sweeping toward the side, at the front. Small girls do not toss the brush ends of their neckpieces over the shoulder as women do. This dashing effect is not so becoming to childhood as the more demure effect of the brush hanging in front.

Almost all fur sets for children are white or very light coloured. Dark furs are sometimes used to trim little coats but rarely does one see a neckpiece and muff of dark fur on a child. There are moleskin sets to go with little gray coats, and now and then

sable is used with a brown coat but seal is not a pelt for childhood—neither is mink nor kolinsky nor skunk. Beaver is the ideal fur for little people and is most lovely on brown and tan costume; and some very well dressed little girls wear fitch which is now a very expensive pelt. In the gray furs there are squirrel, mole, chinchilla and Australian opossum. 'Possum is another pelt beloved by little folk and for girls of flapper age there are smart neckscarfs and muffs of raccoon and of cross-fox.

Chinchilla used to be the fur of fur for childhood. Every little maid of Victorian times had her set of ermine for best and her set of chinchilla for every day. But chinchilla is almost extinct now and costs an appalling amount of money. Ermine is beautiful for the child but this fur, also, is rare and costly now—since women



White Rabbit And Gray Squirrel Appeal To Childlike Fancy As Boon Companions.

demand so much of it for elaborate evening wraps. Once milady was well satisfied a tiny muff and a tippet of ermine to wear with her velvet street suit; now she must have a voluminous wrap of ermine, and perhaps a gay little ermine caplet for theatre wear, beside. White coney is a popular substitute for ermine and is used extensively in children's coats by French couturiers who make a specialty of children's wear. But even they prefer white rabbit for very little folks.

Three smart little white rabbit coats have just arrived from Paris. They are trim, straight little coats, with the flare at the edge which fashion now demands, and loose, set-in sleeves flaring rather than tapering toward the wrist. One is of white rabbit with a collar and deep pockets trimmed with black ermine tails; another has a collar, cuffs and band at the hem of white fox, and three puffy white fur buttons down the front; the third has trimming bands of brown castor on the skirt, sleeve and collar, and round buttons of the castor down the front. To match each of these entrancing white coats there is a cunning fur cap.

Another smart little French coat is of white rabbit with a wide band of mole at the edge, wide mole cuffs and a moresailor collar. To match it, a poke bonnet of mole and white rabbit, the crown of mole and the brim of the white pelt. French also is a tiny cap-wrap of sable—for a very stunning little maid this! The wrap comes to the hips at the back and to the knees at the front where the straight scarf-ends have sable tails. But it would take a little girl with "an air" to carry off this quaint sable wrap; prettier for childhood is a flaring coat of Hudson seal with white rabbit collar and buttons, the coat matched by a low round hat of seal with rolling brim of white rabbit.

For the bigger girls are coats of

leopard and other pelts. The pictured coat is of marmot and is an attractive model for a girl of ten or twelve. In spite of the splendid warmth of the coat and its luxurious suggestion of amplitude, the lines are trim and graceful and the belt is well placed at a low waistline. Fur coats



A very well made little fur top-coat, warm as toast yet trim and graceful of line.

PANTIE FROCKS PRETTIER THAN ROMPERS.

The new play costume for wee folks is called the pantie frock, and an engaging little affair it is—and practical withal. It goes on like a romper; that is the fact are put in first and then somebody buttons up the back. But when on the costume is smarter than any roly-poly romper ever dreamed of being, for the effect presented is that of a cunning frock, very short, and worn over little pantaloons that hug the knee. The idea is simple: A romper, or rather bloomer with a very deep tuck just at the right place to fall like a skirt—hem over the gathered-in bloomers beneath. Pantie frocks come in gingham, in coloured flannel, and in percale for play wear. And there are models in organdie and handkerchief linen for the afternoon. These last have panties edged with fluted lace or little ruffles, and sashbands on the frock tie in a crisp bow at the back.

FACE CREAMS.

The beginning of cold weather is not far off and she who cherishes her complexion should begin to guard it now from those sudden changes from hot rooms to cold outdoor air, and from cold air to heated interiors—that are so very bad for any skin. She should guard also against the roughening winds, and dry, flying "an air" to carry off this quaint sable wrap; prettier for childhood is a flaring coat of Hudson seal with white rabbit collar and buttons, the coat matched by a low round hat of seal with rolling brim of white rabbit.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Stock Exchange.		Sharebrokers' Association.		
Banks.				
K. & S. Bank	b.	735	b.	735
H. 235 paid	n.	730	b.	730
K. of E. Asia b. Old 105	n.	102	n.	105
Marine Insurances.				
Canton	n.	440	s.	444
North China	n.	\$144	n.	144
Unions	n.	242	s.	242
Yangtze	s.	25	s.	25 1/2
Far Eastern	n.	\$12 1/2	n.	24
Fire Insurances.				
China Fires	b.	135	b.	130
H. K. Fires	n.	368	n.	368
Shipping.				
Douglasse	n.	43	n.	44
H. K. Steamboats	b.	26 1/2	n.	26 1/2
Indos (Prof.)	b.	36	s.	36
Indo Del. Lon/Reg.	n.	265		
Indo Del. H. K. Reg.	n.	260	s.	250
Shells	s.	93 1/2	b.	93 1/2
Ferries	s.	35	s.	36 1/2
Refineries.				
Sugars	n.	188	s. sa.	180
Malabon	n.	48	n.	45
Mining.				
Kailans	b.	92 1/2	b.	92 1/2
Langkai	}	n.	b.	81 1/2
Shanghai Loans				
Shai Explorations				
Ranba	b.	11	b.	120
Trombs	b.	22 1/2		
Ural Caspians	b.	10 1/2		
Benguet Con	P.	190		
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.				
H. K. Wharves	b.	59 1/2	b.	90
K. Docks	b. 175 sa. 176	175	sa.	177
Shai Docks	n.	112	n.	113
N. Engineerings	n.	13 1/2	n.	9
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.				
Centrals	b.	149	b.	149
H. K. Hotels	b. 22 1/2 s. 23	23	b.	22 40
H. K. Lands	sa.	202	b. 202 1/2 sa. 204	204
H. Phreys Est.	n.	1090	b.	1090
K. Loan Lands	b.	46	b.	46
L. Reclamations	b.	152	b.	152
West Points	b.	53	b.	53 1/2
Cotton Mills.				
Ewon	b.	\$19 1/2	b. sa.	20
Oriental	n.	15	n.	15
Shai Cottons	b.	\$132 1/2	n.	132
Miscellaneous.				
Cements	s.	25	b. 25 1/2 sa. 25 1/2	25 1/2
China Light old	n. ex div. 13		s.	12 50
China Light new	n.	13 1/2	b. 13 1/2 sa. 13 1/2	13 1/2
China Providents	n.	24	b. 25 1/2 sa. 24	24 1/2
Dairy Farms	s.	34		
Electric H. K.	n.	24 1/2	n.	24 1/2
Electric Macao	n.	30	n.	30
Hongkong Ropes	n.	33 1/2	s.	33
H. K. Tramways	s.	14	sa.	13 90
Peak Trams, old	b.	9 1/2	b.	9 1/2
Do. new	b.	110	b.	110
Steam Laundries				
Steel Foundries	n.	11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Water-boat	b.	17 1/2	n.	17
Watsons	b.	9 1/2	b.	9 10
Wm. Powells	b.	20	n.	19
Wisemans	b.	28	b.	28 1/2

Hongkong, December 14, 1921.

Y.M.C.A. STUDENTS.

A World Federation. Chinese members of the World's Student Christian Federation have invited this international organization to hold its eleventh conference in Peking, April 4 to 9. There will be over one hundred delegates from abroad, from countries including Great Britain, France, Germany, Switzerland, Japan and India. One hundred student leaders from China, and five hundred delegates from Chinese faculty and student body will attend this conference, the first World's Student Conference held in China.

While there is a specific conference committee representative of all countries, the programme of the conference and further details have been placed in the hands of a China Committee. Speakers and special guests will include many prominent and staunch friends of the Chinese people and will be representative of many foreign nations.

Dr. John R. Mott, chairman of the World's Student Christian Federation, Mr. Charles D. Hurrey, and Mr. M. B. Bidgway, both World Secretaries, have signified their ability to be present at the conference. Among other prominent persons whom the China committee on arrangements has asked the World Committee to invite are: Miss Maude Royden, who is prominent as a woman preacher in England; Dr. David S. Cairns, professor of dogmatics and apologetics in the United Free Church of Aberdeen; T. B. Glover of Cambridge, who is a popular student conference leader on the Continent; Mr. Raymond Robins, president of the Women's Trade Union League in the United States; and Fletcher S. Brockman, former general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in China. The names of other prominent persons will be announced as the plans for the conference near completion.

The student organizations in China are growing in strength

and activity and are aligning themselves with the most progressive and constructive movements in the country to-day. At the present time there are 186 organized Associations among the Christian men students, with a total membership of 19,267. The women's organization affiliated with the Young Women's Christian Association of China number 90, totaling a membership of 4,300. The women students were later in organizing than the men but their present growth gives promise of a good attendance at conference. These two national student movements of China unite over 23,000 students representing 209 middle schools, 41 junior and senior colleges, and 25 professional and special schools.

The majority of these schools are located in twenty-two of the most important cities of China. In these centres the city Young men's Christian Associations and the Young Women's Christian Associations have set aside thirty-five Chinese and thirty foreign secretaries to assist Christian faculty members in the work of the voluntary Bible study and social service classes in both mission and government schools. The groups in private and government schools may also become a part of the World's Student Christian Federation, being eligible as soon as they organize and affiliate with one of the student Christian movements in China. China's 600 representatives at the Peking Conference next April will be chosen by the affiliated units of the two movements.

The following secretaries of the Young Women's Christian Association and of the Young Men's Christian Association have been assigned by the National Committees to act as executive staff for the conference: Executive, T. Z. Koo, Associate Executive, Miss Grace Yang; Miss Anne G. Seesholtz; Miss Ella MacNeil; Rev. Ting Li-mei, C. B. Chen, E. Barnett and Egbert M. Hayes. Headquarters are at 20 Museum Road, Shanghai.

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.			
Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Katana	Bank Line	Shanghai & Keelung	B 51
Glennier	J. M. & Co.	Kobe & Shanghai	A 3
Tungshing	"	Canton	C 46
Tyndarus	B. & S.	Vancouver & Kuching	A 52
Yunnan	"	Shanghai	C 20
Shikang	"	Canton	B 9
Saltan v. Kootie	A. P. C.	Foochow	N. Point
Prometheus	E. Larsen & Co.	Bangkok	C 36
Ramses Maru 3	Kimura & Co.	Yokohama	C 46
Yamagata M.	N. Y. K.	New York & Singapore	Wharf
Kirishima M.	Yamato & Co.	Canton	C 41
Saka M.	U. S. K.	Canton	Wharf
Amakusa M.	"	Keelung & Swatow	"
Yai Tai M.	M. B. K.	Muku	B 49
Nam Wah	S. K. Hing	K. C. Wan & Macao	Wharf
Tao Nan	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai & Lungtow	"

Clearances.			
Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure.
Nichim M.	M. B. K.	Canton	13th Dec.
Foo Lee	B. & S.	Manila	"
Glennier	J. M. & Co.	Singapore & Hamburg	"
Myie	Moller & Co.	Bangkok	14th Dec.
Pythomas	B. & S.	Shanghai & Yokohama	"
Yunnan	"	Canton	"
Foo Lee	Hing Shun	Kwong Chow Wan	"
Ramses Maru 3	Kimura & Co.	Canton	"
Sultan van Kootie	A. P. C.	Swatow & Tientsin	15th Dec.
Tung Shing	J. M. & Co.	"	"

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Yamagata M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th Dec.
Chongching	J. M. & Co.	Cheloo	14th
Moshima M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th
West Orosa	S. & D.	Vancouver	15th
Sinkiang	B. & S.	Shanghai	15th
Suiyang	B. & S.	Shanghai	15th
Tungshing	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	15th
Tikim	J. C. L.	Sourabaya	15th
Hanching	D. L. & Co.	Foochow	15th
Yunnan	J. M. & Co.	Manila	15th
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Yokohama	15th
Dongola	P. & O.	Japan	15th
Lokang	J. M. & Co.	Hohow	15th
Suming	B. & S.	Tientsin	15th
Nile	J. M. & Co.	Europe	15th
Tanda	P. & O.	Straits	15th
Tymonok	J. C. L.	Ratavia	15th
Chenau	B. & S.	Peking	15th
Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	San Francisco	15th
Cherbon M.	N. Y. K.	Ratavia	15th
Deucalion	B. & S.	Liverpool	15th
Kazem	Bank Line	Hamburg	15th
Hangchow	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	15th
Luchow	B. & S.	Singapore	15th
Kanchow	B. & S.	Singapore	15th
Nippon	D. L. & Co.	Colombo	15th
Halde	J. C. L.	Saigon	15th
Silver Star	Ad. Line	Victoria	15th
Smaller	J. C. L.	Ratavia	15th
Chengtu	B. & S.	Bangkok	15th
Harleong	J. C. L.	Foochow	15th
Typhoon	D. L. & Co.	Shanghai	15th
Lake Orosa	Ad. Line	Saigon	15th
Kt. of the Charter	Bank Line	New York	15th
Arakura	P. & O.	Yokohama	15th

Impending Arrivals.

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Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Tyndarus	B. & S.	Yokohama	14th Dec.
Glennier	P. & O.	Canton	15th
Dongola	P. & O.	Singapore	15th
Glennier	P. & O.	Singapore	15th
Nagoya	P. & O.	London	15th
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Kobe	15th
Arakura	N. Y. K.	Sydney	15th
Awa M.	N. Y. K.	Kobe	15th
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	London	15th
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	London	15th
Sado M.	N. Y. K.	London	15th
U. A. M.	N. Y. K.	Calcutta	15th
Montevideo	C. P. S. L.	Vancouver	15th

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Storage Expires	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Polypheus	B. & S.	Hobbs	Dec. 17	Dec. 31	Tues. & Friday
Chicago M.	O. S. K.	Kowloon	Dec. 18	Dec. 22	Wed. & Saturday
Mishima	N. Y. K.	Kowloon	Dec. 20	Dec. 22	Tues. & Friday

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Sanning	15th Dec.
Shanghai	Chenau	15th
Shanghai	Chenau	15th
Europe via Suez (Paper only, London 15th Nov. and London Parcel 2nd Nov.)		
Shanghai	Dongola	15th
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima M.	15th
Japan	Awa M.	15th
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers London 15th Nov.)	Kashim	15th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Swatow, Amoy & Takao	Saha M.	Thurs. 15 Dec. 8 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Sinkiang	Thurs. 15 Dec. 11 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs. 15 Dec. 230 p.m.
Saigon, Siam & Bangkok	Peking M.	Thurs. 15 Dec. 3 p.m.
Java & Port Moresby via Sourabaya	Tikim	Thurs. 15 Dec. 3 p.m.
Port Bayard, Hoibow & Haiphong	Hanoi	Fri. 16 Dec. 8 a.m.
Hoibow & Haiphong	Takao	Fri. 16 Dec. 8 a.m.
Japan	Nikko M.	Fri. 16 Dec. 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fookow	Phraung	Fri. 16 Dec. 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands	Yunnan	Fri. 16 Dec. 2 p.m.
Takao	Busho M.	Fri. 16 Dec. 4 p.m.
Swatow & Amoy	Van Cloon	Fri. 16 Dec. 4 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok & Batavia	Nile	Sat. 17 Dec. 11 a.m.
Java & Port Moresby via Batavia	Tymonok	Sat. 17 Dec. 11 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Sanning	Sat. 17 Dec. 3 p.m.
"Swatow, Shanghai & N. China	Hangchow	Sat. 17 Dec. 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A. & C. & B. America, Europe via San Francisco	Chenau	Sat. 17 Dec. 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Keelung	Amakusa M.	Sun. 18 Dec. 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Bangkok	Lochow	Sun. 18 Dec. 9 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Chengtu	Mon. 19 Dec. 11 a.m.
Philippine Is., Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Islands	Silver Star	Mon. 19 Dec. 3 p.m.
	Taigo M.	Tues. 20 Dec. 8 a.m.
	Registration	8.45 a.m.
	Letters	9.30 a.m.
	Manung	Tues. 20 Dec. 11 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China	Swatow	Tues. 20 Dec. 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fookow	Hailong	Tues. 20 Dec. 11 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Hopang	Tues. 20 Dec. 5 p.m.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

SLATE.
Chien Wen-ping has recently invented a process for making slate out of clay and has applied to the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce for its approval.

SILKS AND SATINS.
The Chekiang Civil Governor has petitioned the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce to register the "Cloud and Crane" trademark of the Ta Hsin Satin Factory.

REAL ESTATE.
Messrs. Chu Pao-shan, Hsu Kwat-nan, and others have organized the Sung Wu (Shanghai) Realty Company with a capital of \$1,000,000. The Company has purchased over 1,000 mu of land at Kiangnan for construction purposes.

TELEPHONE.
The Tishan Telephone Company has increased its capital. Yih Tien-tsun, an American returned student, has been appointed by the Ministry of Communications to install a long-distance telephone system between Nanking and Shanghai.

TEXTILES.
The Hua Sing Spinning and Weaving Company has increased the capital of the Weihaiwei Mill, and added new machines to the Tangshan and Tsingtau Mills. A Cotton Yarn Company is being organized in Hangchow by Wu Kuei-shiang, Hsu Yung-mou, and others.

NEW COTTON COMPANY.
A new cotton concern has been created in Osaka by some leading cotton merchants of the same city under the name of the Taitei Mengyo Kaisha, with the idea of handling mainly cotton yarn, piecegoods, and woollen yarn. This company has a capital of ¥1,000,000 of which all the shares have been taken up by the promoters and endorser, the first call being collected by the 3rd inst.

SOUTH SEA TRADE.
The Tokyo Chamber of Commerce is reported to be contemplating the organizing of a South Seas Colonisation Company under the guarantee of the Government, apart from the proposed International Trade and Finance Company. In order to promote the export trade, it considers that it is necessary to make further developments in the South Seas of the trade cultivated during the war.

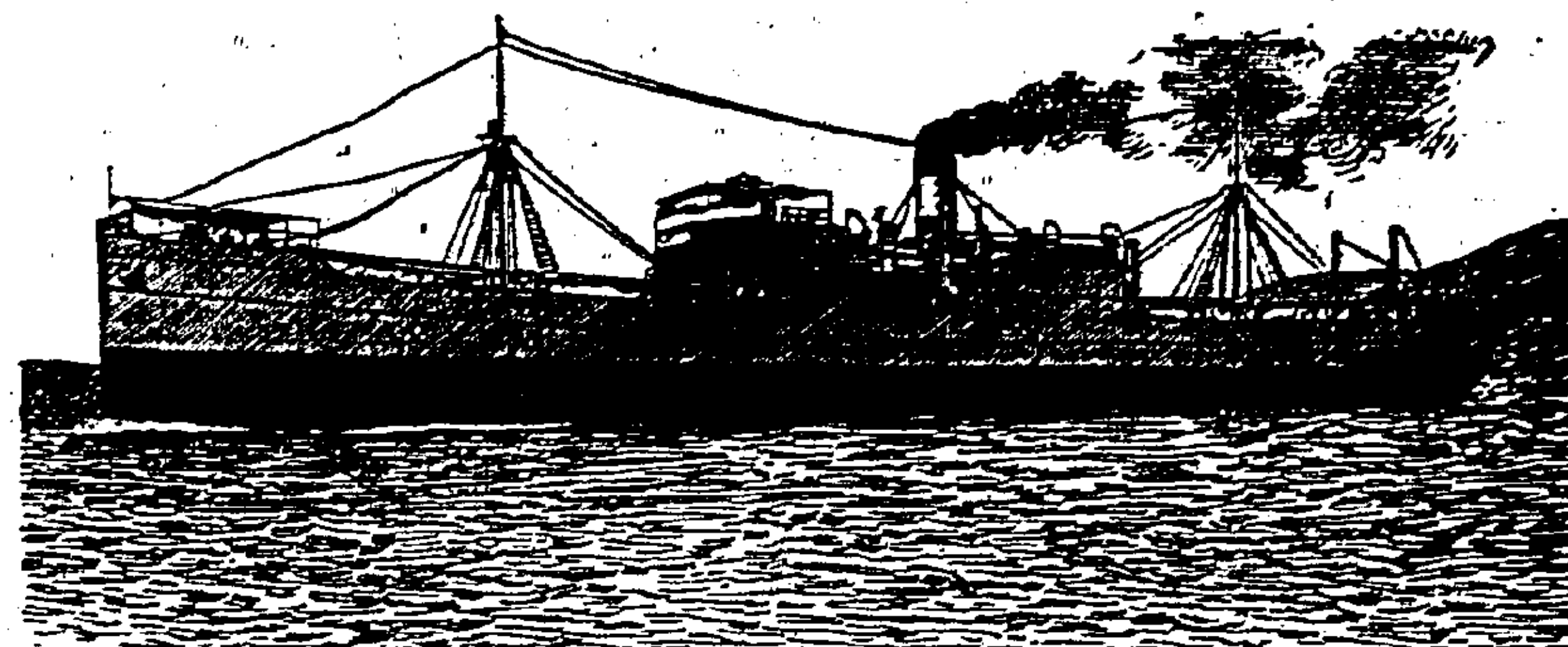
GERMAN TRADE IN THE STRAITS.
German imports to the Straits Settlements totalled over \$100,000 during the year 1920 and consisted of hardware, lamps, petroleum, etc. An especially formidable competitor to Japanese goods is beer. During the war, the whole market was mostly monopolised by Japanese beer imports in 1919 amounting to 277,494 dozen. Subsequently the boycotting of Japanese goods lessened the import of Japanese beer. Before the war, German beer was largely sold, and Key brand beer, though more expensive than Japanese beer, is welcomed by Chinese.

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lines on March 1. There will be sufficient passenger and freight ships available to serve these islands adequately, he said. The Shipping Board has made tentative plans to allocate eight of the 535-foot passenger liners and two of the 502-foot combination freight and passenger ships to two shipping lines operating from Pacific ports to Manila, via Japan and China. The extension of the coastwise laws to the Philippines is provided in the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, the only stipulation being that there must be an adequate amount of American flag tonnage to care for the needs of the trade and the requirements of travel. The position of the Shipping Board is that these 10 passenger liners will afford a weekly sailings from the Philippines and that this should prove to be satisfactory and adequate. The Army Transport Service has applied for four of the 502-foot steamers, but no decision has been reached by the President. Before announcing any award the President has asked for the submission of figures by the Shipping Board. These have not gone forward as yet.

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